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PREFACE

At the suggestion of Mrs. Ruth Roberts, the librarian, we have arranged and prepared these records. We ask the readers' pardon for errors that have been made and the omission perhaps of many bright threads that have not been caught up and woven into the pattern. Our escapades and wrong doings have been left out in making up this narrative of events.

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THE WRITER.

Which man has had to do." Therefore every home and every person therein becomes an integral part in the history of village, city, county, state or nation.

The writer will endeavor to give a narrative of events connected with the first inception of the village of Milton, and the part in history that it may have taken by the association of the people together in their home life, and in their business vocations in the village life.

To introduce the subject the writer will have to be somewhat personal until he can lose himself in his association with others who will take part.

The continuation of the Burlington and Missouri River railroad as it was then called in 1868 and '69, west from Ottumwa, Iowa, across the State, attracted the attention of the people of adjoining states and farther east, especially the young folks just scattering out from the parental roof to make for themselves a home either upon the Iowa prairies or in the towns that would be built along the line. Railroad surveys were made, grades were established and work for preparation of the road bed was pushed with great vigor.

Town sites were platted and a heavy emigration set in. New settlers' homes soon dotted the prairies clear across the state. Villages sprung up as if by magic. The few towns already established took on new life for business and trading points for new comers and for those who had come ahead and pioneered. The nearness of the western counties of the state to the Missouri River, a navigable stream that furnished although slow and uncertain, a means of communication with the east and south, the steamboats plying its waters had been bringing supplies for the needs of life and travelers and home seekers as well. This western section of the state was on the line of the Mormon trail also in their exodus from Nauvoo, Illinois, to Utah in 1846 and 1848, and was chosen by them as a stopping place for rest and to recuperate for the long journey ahead of them, to their promised land. When they moved on as nearly all did, their temperary homes and claims became the permanent homes of the early settlers. From these conditions there were many here when the railroad was completed, of thrifty, well-to-do farmers and stockmen. ready for the road to bring to them the manufactured products for a more comfortable living, and take to the eastern markets their stock and grain, while vast stretches of the inland prairies of the state were still untouched and unclaimed. We who came with the railroads were not

the real pioneers, but those who had staked their claims for a home here, some years before our coming.

The writer, then a resident of Chicago became quite interested in a friend's description of this part of the state, as a land of great promise, and in June 1869, in company with his father came from Chicago to Burlington, Iowa, and out to Ottumwa, then on the newly constructed line completed as far as Cromwell Station, west of the now city of Creston, neither of these places having scarcely the start of a town, prairie grass yei growing in the street, in front of the little hotel and the lone country store at Cromwell.

From this point west to Red Oak, by the old time stage coach and four horses. Red Oak was the objective point when starting on our journey, and we were now in that land of promise, that had been pictured out by the friend. His description did not seem to be overdrawn, as we looked over the village, out on the prairies, and up and down the valley of the East Nishnabotna that bright summer morning.

Red Oak was then a thriving little town, on the stage coach line of travel from the east to Council Bluffs and a distributing point of supplies for the settlers far up and down the valley.

For further investigation we decided to go over to the west Nishna, but being too late for the stage that day we accepted an invitation to ride out over the prairies to White Cloud with Mr. I. L. McCoy, a well known stock buyer, living a few miles down the valley. White Cloud was at that time quite a little village, nicely located on the higher bank of the stream within hearing of the rushing waters as they tumbled over the dam at the mill. There were two general stores, Drug Store, Post office, a place to eat and sleep, a Blacksmith shop and a skilled physician, Dr. Brothers. No saloon—which spoke well in those days—for the good citizenship of the village and country round about.

Mr. George Hamaker the genial miller, had the toll of the bread eaters, a day's journey in all directions, who would bring their grist and picnic in the shade or fish while waiting for it.

It was a tragedy play, that the trail of the iron horse did not take the route that led to the village, but it did not and the rails since laid, have been the magnet that has drawn it all away but the mill.

Citizens and business have been largely absorbed, and have been a good part in the making of Malvern history.

It was the middle of the afternoon of a bright June day, when we left White Cloud for a walk to the home of Judge Tubbs. We took a short cut across the prairie, from the Wm. Weaver farm home, up the hill near where Mr. Sant Stone's house now is.

We sat down to rest a bit, and as we sat there we took in the lovely

landscape view of the valley of the Nishna as it spread out before us; with the green grass and wild prairie flowers, at our feet, and in the distance the checkered fields of growing corn, the waving tracts of grass and grain and the meandering course of the wooded stream.

To the writer, just from the counting desk of a wholesale house, and the hot paved walks and streets of the city it was a refreshing change.

We continued our tramp from this picture gallery, across and by the pioneer home of H. H. Woodrow down the hill and across the branch on a low water bridge, coming up over the ridge where Grand View addition has lately been platted and enjoyed for the night the generous hospitality of the Tubbs home.

After a talk with Mr. Tubbs, our decision was made to locate here, and my father returned to his home the next day.

The town site was already platted and named Milton, in honor of Lieut. Milton Summers who had died from wounds received on a southern battle field a few years before.

While waiting to complete arrangements with my brother in the north eastern part of the state, we thought we would like to practice up a little on our old occupation as a farmer lad. In our search for a job we had an interview with Mr. H. W. Summers. He took note of our untanned face and soft hands, from continuous office work, and sized us up that we might do for some easy task and he placed us under Mrs. Summers directions. We fixed up the yard and garden, and soon got the badge of a new out door worker in calloused hands, and sun baked face, neck and ears, and when we returned to Chicago, a new cuticle was coming on and the old one peeling off. It was the cost of our initiation fee to out door work in Iowa on hot summer days. Some pleasant and lifelong friendships and acquaintance formed during those days, besides the monetary consideration, healed all the wounds.

One July morning in 1869, in front of an Illinois farm home near Chicago, stood an "emigrant pullman" with bent bows and canvas covered top and sides, loaded with the needed outfit for camping travelers. The restless horses waiting for the driver and his partner to climb in for their wedding trip five hundred miles to the farther west. Across Illinois and over the Mississippi river at Sabula, Iowa, for a visit with the writer's brother at Massilon. Through Mechanicsville, Cedar Rapids, Marengo, Newton, Des Moines and Winterset, the evening of August 6th, we were at Sciola, Montgomery County, passing the night at a farm house hotel. Early next morning we were on the road for the last lap of our journey. We came through Red Oak out on the stage line road following the divides over the prairies, and only passed three homes in our travel between the two Nishnas. It was total eclipse of the sun that day, August 7th, and

the darkness of early twilight settled over us, in the quiet of our lonely travel, but it was not long until we were again for a while in the bright sunshine, until the darkness of a starry evening had settled down upon the close of another day as we came up the road by the cemetery, and down the hill (steeper and longer then than now) across the stream, and under the wide spreading branches of an elm tree that stood in the roadway in front of where D. E. Whitfield's fine home now stands.

This was our camping place for the night. After the faithful horses had been fed and some refreshments ourselves we sought our slumber couch under its canopy covering, and the friendly branches of the old elm tree. It was a good season for mosquitoes and our rest was troubled by their weird music and the loving greetings they gave us, showed plainly in the morning.

It was in the early light of a bright sabbath morning that we built our campfire and cooked and ate our first morning meal, as prospective residents of Iowa. When the wreck of the morning meal had been cleared away, the partner wanted to take a look at the town site and the probable location of our future home. We walked up the road away, climbed the fence looking west, and in imagination saw it looming up somewhere out in the vast field of weeds as high as our hats.

The writer continued the walk up to Mr. Tubbs place for some mail, and in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Tubbs and baby Volney drove down to make us a friendly call and extend us a welcome to Iowa, and in the spirit of western hospitality they invited us to make our home with them until we could make other arrangements. We accepted their kind invitation and during our few days stay at their home, other lasting friendships were made that have been a pleasure to us all these years since.

The lumber and material for our business house and home had been purchased in Chicago before starting on our overland journey, and was shipped over the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, that being the only line then completed across the state, and from Council Bluffs over the St. Joe line to Pacific City, a little village nestling close up against the bluffs west of Glenwood, where the track of the St. Joe then laid. (This little business place started in 1857 had been in the hands of promoters, a rival of Council Bluffs as the terminal of railroads, and the connecting link in the chain that was to bind the east to the far west by the steel rails of the Union Pacific).

We found our building material at Pacific City and the first load was hauled over August 9th, for the erection of a temporary shelter home which was put up near our first night's camping place, so we might be near a neighbor, a Mr. Merritt and family who were temporary occupants

of a little home across the creek, and to be near an excellent well of water that was at their kitchen door.

Storage room being limited, the agent at Pacific City had placed the large sash for the store front against the outside of the building, and in the explorations of an old cow, she got her head through one of the unglazed sash, and not being able to withdraw it, she got excited, and with head and tail up she lit out over the prairie bottom, like a small whirlwind with the sash flopping about her neck, the railroad force and the writer in hot pursuit. After quite a chase, we gathered up the remnants, but the cow was yet running.

The original plat of Milton was all west of first avenue, which was then a country read, and east of this country road where the business houses, homes, Churches, school building and forest of trees now are, was that season a waving field of wheat, ready for the harvesters.

Washington Darling, a near-by farmer was one of the contractors for the grading of this section of the road bed and his work was about completed. The site for location of the depot had been staked out. The season has been quite wet and the platted ground having been mostly under cultivation the year before had grown up to weeds, that held back the drainage and not many lots seemed to be desirable for building on. A higher point from which the "waters had abated" on the west side of fourth avenue between 3rd and 4th Streets was staked out for the first building of the new city.

An Illinois friend, a Mr. Abbott, came out to take a look at Iowa and to put up the buildings. Mr. Abbott and nephew Pete and John Busby, of White Cloud, as his helpers, completed the building (20 x 30, 1½ stories) in October, 1869.

It is yet in good condition and a pleasant home place on first avenue.

The first attempt by neighbors to be social with new comers by a friendly call was a failure as the horse and buggy got fast in the mud in a wet springy place in the road in front of where the Catholic Church now stands. The ladies were equal to any emergency. One undressed her feet, got out, unhitched the horse and gave up being social that day by returning home.

November 13th, Charles H. Paddock, who had come on about a month before to take hold of his interests in the town and the business of Paddock Bros., hitched up Tom and Jim, our dumb partners in the work, to haul the first load of goods from Pacific City for the country store.

It looked lonesome, this one building away off from the road, in the middle of a big weed pasture. No sidewalks, no travel marked streets. But a lively imagination of the mind, of neighbors, business men, me-

chanics and helpers that would soon be here, of fine homes, green grass lawns and flowers, of school and scholars, churches, of sewers, curb and gutter and paved streets seen in the distance gave better coloring to the picture. When material things look gloomy and life views clouded, Faith and Hope of better things are wonderful sustainers.

The 18th day of November, the construction train, working from the west laid the track across Silver Creek bridge and met the gang from the east down near the Nishna, where the last rail was laid, completing this division. On the 26th day of November, 1869, the first through passenger train, consisting of the mail and express car and three coaches loaded with passengers, passed slowly through our little hamlet of one building without stopping. The entire population three in number were out and gave them the Chautauqua salute, which was returned in great number.

There was a good stone curbed spring of clear sparkling water where now stands one of Mrs. J. P. Retelsdorf's brick homes, and we had a well worn path through the weeds from our house to it, in which we could dip our bucket without roiling its waters. The walk there was a pleasant one when dry.

The Railroad section foremen were the first to come and build their little homes for their families, one gang of men under Thomas Hawkins of good English blood, and one in charge of John Johnson whose native land was Sweden. In our first business acquaintance with Mr. Johnson, as a creditor his name was entered on the books as Yon Yohnson, our knowledge of Swedish-English being limited, but he was of good credit under either name.

We had neighbors, near neighbors now, one of them across the street and the other in the same block north. Of these men and their helpers, only two became permanent residents, Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Chris Kelsey.

For a place where hunger can be satisfied and a bed for rest and sleep, a lodging house is the first needs of a town.

The fourth building erected was the Cullers House put up by Mr. Cullers for that purpose in the winter of '69 and '70. The important event of its completion was celebrated by a grand social gathering of the entire population of the town and of the country round about to participate in the house warming. After a while, there was music in the air, and the old style dance was on. Most of them tarried and went home in the early morning.

Early in November a petition was circulated by Mr. Andrew Berkhimer and others asking the Post Office Department for an office at Milton. The requisite number and more of petitioners were quickly secured and forwarded to Washington. In a short time word came from the department that there was already an office of that name in the State and the request could not be granted.

The temporary settlement of the question was made by adding the word Station, making the name of the office Milton Station. The commission of first postmaster was dated January 17th, 1870, and the office soon in working order.

James S. Miller from White Cloud was the pioneer blacksmith of Milton, building a shop and ready for business in February, 1870. It's a long line and many changes of village blacksmiths since Jim first lit the forge fires in 1870.

Early in 1870, Mr. Fred Zanders invests in real estate by purchase of lots on 4th Ave. north of the pioneer store, putting up a building for business and a home and opening out a stock of boots and shoes.

Merchants sold boots in those days, made of cowhide and calfskin for old and young men and red topped ones for the boys. Old men will remember with what pride they pulled on their first pair of red topped boots.

In rapid succession business men are coming in. John. N. Sheldon is the next to come in putting up a building corner 4th Ave. and 3rd St. and when completed he moved his stock of general merchandise from White Cloud where he had been in business for some time. Closely following Mr. Sheldon was the drug store stock and building of Dr. S. T. Brothers, from White Cloud, as it came in sight up through the field back of the cemetery, slow but sure, it reached its destination and was placed on a rock foundation just north of Paddock's Store.

The coming of these older business men from White Cloud with their knowledge of the country and acquaintance with the people added much to the nucleus already forming for the good citizenship of the village. Capt. H. E. Boehner and family became residents of the town in April, 1870. Mr. M. E. Boehner, a nephew of the Captain having put up their store building and residence on the corner of 3rd Street and 3rd Avenue. it was all ready for their coming. The few townspeople that were here were glad to welcome them for the number in the family added quite largely to the social life and population of the village.

Mr. Wm. McCrary was the next business man to cast his lot with us and take up his duties as a citizen. He built a store building, with temporary home above on 4th Avenue, north of Mr. Sheldon's store, and put in a stock of general merchandise. The coming of the McCrary household added much to the social and musical interests of the village. The McCrary store building, although weather beaten and worn from time and removals, with some patching that has been made, is yet a home for business on First Avenue.

During the summer of 1870, there were several small homes built south of the track as we designated the location then. Among the number were B. F. Barnett, Chris Kelsey and Wm. Dunn.

Johnathan Wilbur was our first mail carrier, on Star route between Milton Station and White Cloud post offices. We all got acquainted with Uncle Johnathan for his exactness in every little detail of his business, and the consciousness he had of his dignity as an employee of the government. The good old man has been laid away with the dead these many years.

B. F. Barnett commences his long and honorable service as our village drayman.

A grain elevator was built early in 1870 by J. D. Ladd & Co., but soon passed into possession of J. F. Evans, a resident of Council Bluffs, and under his able management he soon built up an immense business in handling grain.

In the spring of 1870, the Town Lot Co., engaged the writer to set out some trees around the north side public park. The few that survived from the free range of browsing cows and bouncing boys are now landmarks of the days labor.

Bryson & Son were the starters of the lumber business, young Mr Bryson as manager. Following them closely in the lumber business was the firm of Moninger & Ringland represented here by I. B. Ringland.

At this early date 1870, prospecting surveys were made for the St. Louis and Council Bluffs Rail Road and we were quite elated expecting an early completion of the road to cross the B. & M. at our town, Milton. For some reason however, the preliminary surveys were pigeon holed for nearly ten years before being used.

Mr. E. B. Knapp builds a business house and temporary home combined and hangs out a sign "Harness Shop".

April 13th, 1870, friends of the Sunday School met in the hall over The Chronicle office for organization of a Union School and the following named officers were chosen: P. V. Hawley, Supt.; M. E. Boelner, Ass't.; Mrs. M. J. Curtis, Sec.; Robt. Tohe, Librarian and Wm. McCrary musical director. These conscientious planters sowed the seed for the Sunday School in Milton and Malvern, and its divine teachings have helped to make better the young lives and older ones as well, that have placed themselves under its influence during the many years since.

J. W. Lawson, wife and son came early as residents of the town. Mr. Lawson was one of the first good bunch of business men, putting up a building on the north side of 3rd Street and filled it up with home furnishing goods for sale to customers and was generally busy; but when he was not, he could draw the bow across his old violin, for company and pleasure and sometimes for profit.

Abbott, Kinsely & Co., a chain store firm built and put in a good stock of Hardware under the management of John J. Haight, location 4th Ave.

J. J. Curtis opens another hotel in a building erected on Corner 3rd Street and 3rd Avenue, named the Curtis House.

Henry Slonaker and wife were residents of the neighborhood before the town started—young people from the Slonaker and Foxworthy homes. From an accident that nearly cost him his life Mr. Slonaker was unfitted for hard labor and they moved into town to try some lighter work. He was in business for himself at different times and a general helper for others. He died while at his work a few years ago.

The name Milton for the village and Milton Station as name of post office, caused so much trouble, as feared it would, in delivery of freight on the rail road and mail for the office that steps were taken early by the railroad company and the citizens to make a legal change of name. The change of name of the town was soon made, but the change of name of office was slower and not fully completed until the post master received a new commission as Post Master at Malvern, August 15, 1871. While considering the change of name, Dr. Brothers suggested the name Malvern in honor of his old home town in Ohio and there being no other town of that name in the State it was approved and so recorded. The writer was sick in bed at the time and the name of Marston, which he wished to present in honor of one of the firm in whose emply he had been for several years was not considered. There is much oft times in a name and whether the talisman of the one chosen has been a success more than the other would have been, cannot be known.

In July, 1870, Mr. Fred Spencer thought the village and country round about needed a first class grocery store. Every one had to furnish his own building for business; there were none for rent. Mr. Spencer put up his building on east side of 4th Avenue and filled it up with goods. In September, he took Mrs. Spencer as a partner in the business and the home.

James Churchill, wife and baby came in August, 1870, and soon commenced the erection of a building for business and a home on 4th Avenue and they have been with us ever since. There has been no break in their citizenship. Mr. Churchill has been a mover and history maker for the town. An assistant to the Civic League, he has cleaned up many a wreck and made it over new. A reminiscence from him of those early days, that he had to pay twelve dollars and a half a month for a two room house, an old one at that, that had been moved in from outside of town. The building is now a part of Mr. Hoover's home. This experience may have started the thought with him that it was better to be landlord than tenant, as he has been landlord to many tenants since then.

The natural events of life will occur in regular order whereever people congregate together. Joy and sorrow will follow each other in rapid succession. Gay and happy hearts at the wedding feasts and sad ones at the burial service. The participants in the first marriage of residents of the village were Mr. Eli Vickery and Mrs. Ann Roberts, August 17, 1870, and closely following them, the marriage of Mr. James S. Miller and Miss Mary Raines. Squire West as Justice of the Peace, who lived north west of town, did most of the marrying in those days, and he tied them good.

Wm. Bennett builds a business building just north of the Culler's House. which had a varied use as a public hall, Lunch room and Saloon and later a general store.

Silver Urn Masonic lodge moves from its country home with Mr. Sterling Davis on upper Silver Creek to Malvern, to try city life in a hall room above the drug store of Dr. S. T. Brothers. Of the movers, there is only one left, James H. Wing now a resident of Kansas. The Master has called all the others to the Grand Lodge above.

The first issue of our village paper, No. 1, Volume 1 of the Mills County Chronicle, came from the hand press, October 15, 1870, edited and managed by H. A. and Wm. Copeland, father and son. It was published every Saturday morning, that it might be fresh for our Sunday reading. publishers say in their salutatory that they expect a liberal support from the business men of the town and county, but support or not they will publish it for a year at least. H. A. Copeland, the father, was a man of more than ordinary ability, an all around man, having been preacher, lawyer, clerk of the courts, and now an editor. He was quite an able speaker and could interest his hearers with his pathos and humor in religious service or at political gatherings. He may at times have exceeded the limit of time for even a pleasing discourse, as the following story is told of him; that one Sabbath morning when he was to preach at the Foxworthy school house there was plainly written on the blackboard across the room, "Cope you must not talk more than one hour today". Cope was the friendly name and salutation of his friends, by which he was well known. The party who was accused of giving the blackboard warning is yet living in this vicinity. It is probable that an extra good dinner was expected and he did not want it unduly delayed.

Malvern grain and produce market quotations in the first issue of the Chronicle: Wheat 75c, Corn 35c, Oats 30c, Flour \$3.00 per hundred, Bacon 20c, Lard 20c, Butter 35, Eggs 15c, Potatoes 35c, Onions \$1.25, Bush Beans \$3.00, Salt \$3.00 barrel.

The first child born in the village was a boy baby at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hawkins, October 19, 1870, and they gave him the plain name of John. His home is now in Omaha.

October 29, The Chronicle publishes this notice "Rev. O. W. Cooley

will hold religious service in the dining room of the Malvern House tomorrow morning at 10:30, all are invited." When the name of the town was changed, Mr. Cullers gave the new name to hotel as the Malvern House.

We sometimes get our Christmas presents a little bit ahead of time. An early Christmas gift of a boy baby was left at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunn in the south part of town on December 19th, just two months to a day younger than baby Hawkins. He has not wandered away, for any length of time, but a few miles from his place of birth, and is counted in the class of old settlers as Robt. E. Dunn near Emerson.

They are unloading a train load of Texas cattle from the cars to day, November 25th, that have been shipped in by the stockmen Murphy & Mc Coy to sell as feeders. It would be a novelty for the young people at the present time in town and from the farm to see them, wild eyed, untamed brutes, showng their relief in getting out of the close confines of their prison pen of many hours duration. Tall and gaunt with wide spreading horns, two feet or more in length and breadth and the savage use they made of them in goring each other, must have suggested to stockmen and breeders the dehorning process and the breeding for hornless cattle.

Strahan's addition of the hill and hillside to the town in December, 1870, was attractive to those who intended soon to build permanent homes, and lots were selected on Douglas, Center, Chase and Boundary Streets for early use.

The lumber men were about the first to build homes in the new addition, Mr. Bryson at the top of the hill on the south side of Douglas Street, now a part of the home of Dr. Hiett, and Mr. Ringland housed his family in a nice home at the foot of the hill on north side of Douglas street, which is now a part of the Cottage Hotel.

There have been a number of business men and helpers that have come in so quietly during the year that the news gatherer has failed to introduce them as they came. The census taken has not reported and we have no record of the wives and youngsters in the homes, of the helpers in the business houses, shops and yards, the men with the teams, with saw and plane, with shovel, ax and spade, all helping to make history and the village life. Some of them will get in line farther on. The three that observed Thanksgiving day, 1869, have some helpers now and we will call the roll: Abbott, Knisely & Co. Hardware; Mrs. Adams and M. J. McBride, Millinery; A. H. Adams, Clerk; Bryson & Van Doren, Lumber; H. E. Boehner & Son, General Store; M. E. Boehner, Carpenter; B. F. Barnett, Drayman; Dell Billings, Clerk; Brothers & Roberts Physicians; Wm. Bennett, Lunchroom; Brothers Gastineau & Co., Drugs; H. A. & Wm. Copeland,

Publishers; J. J. Curtis, Hotel; Curtis & Sweetzer, General Store; W. E. Cain, Rest.; Elias Carsner, Carpenter; S. A. Campbell, clerk and student; H. A. Copeland, Atty.; Jas. Churchill, Restaurant; J. M. Cullers, Malvern House; M. O. Dowd, surveyor; Wm. Dunn, Clerk; Dauthort & Gorton, Real Estate and Insurance; Clarence Denmark, clerk; Evans Bros., Grain Elevator; Gus Gerber, Station Agent; J. J. Haight, Mgr. Hdwe.; Ira Hoople, saloon; E. B. Knapp, Harness; Johnie Kincannon, Barber; J. W. Lawson, Furniture; Lilly & Clinedinst, Plasterers; Lord & Kyle, Painters; Wm. McCrary, General Store; Moninger & Ringland, Lumber; James S. Miller, Blacksmith; Byron Mershon, Clerk; Pat Murray, Stone Mason; Farlane, Dry Goods; Bert Nichols, Jeweler; J. D. & C. H. Paddock, General Store; Julius Pettee, Barber; Emerson Robinson, Clerk; Henry Robinson, Clerk; J. N. Sheldon, General Store; J. B. Stetson, M. D.; H. Slonaker, Lunch room; F. P. Spencer, Grocer; I. J. Swain Book keeper; Frank Tubbs, Teamster; Eli Vickery, Carpenter; H. H. Webster, Meat Market; Fred Zanders, Boots & Shoes: Quite a respectable gathering in a year of time.

Everything was new and our interests were more in common. We had not been rubbing up against each other long enough to make any sore spots and as a people we came more intimately together in our social and religious life; in union socials, festivals, in fairs and parties for social pleasure and for Sunday school and church benefits; in the Dickens Club, Literary Club, Amateur Concerts and the drama, for intellectual improvement and pleasure. The amusement critic of the Chronicle comments on one production January 1st, 1871. "The drama of 'Ten Nights in a Bar Room' was given last Saturday evening in Bennett's Hall. J. W. Lawson in the character of Slade was inimitable; Miss McBride as Miss Slade was represented with modest dignity; Miss McKeever took the part of Mrs. Morgan with great success; Miss Boehner as Mehitable Cartwight was attractive in her role of unsophisticated simplicity; Mr. Knapp as Joe Morgan could not be excelled; Mr. Gaston as Romanie, Dr. Stetson as Switchell, Mr. Curtis as Green, Mr. Swain as Frank Slade, Mr. Kyle as young Squire Hammond, all carried their part with great credit."

The birth place of the first baby girl was at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lawson and they gave the bright little one the name of Nettie Malverna, (Malverna the feminine of Malvern) as an honor to the name of the place of her birth.

Good progress has been made as a village in the temporal affairs of business and home building, but for continued progress, educational and moral forces must also be built up and fostered; the School and the Church—the true foundation of good society, loyal homes and stable government, in the school that the right direction and training may be given to the expanding mind and intellect of the young life for the best service there is in them as they grow to manhood and womanhood and take up

their part in the work of the world. Without moral restraint tendencies of the human heart and control of human passions society would make no progress toward better living. Like the regulator on the steam engine, the Church and its divine teachings regulate and control the tendencies toward evil and strengthen that which is good So these great forces must be taken up that a solid foundation be laid for good citizenship. The village plat was in the limits of the Foxworthy school district. To provide for those pupils who could not well go so far until we could be legally set off as an independent district. Mr. Marshall Angel opened up a school in a little shack of a building standing on 4th Avenue at the north public park. This was the first effective start of the public school. This little building had been a tool house for the section men and had been the meeting place a few times for religious gatherings where Rev. Francis Plumb had first called the people together for observance of the Lords Day. An organization of the school district of Malvern was effected in May, 1871, with I. B. Ringland, H. E. Boehner, W. M. McCrary, J. M. Strahan, M. J. Curtis and J. D. Paddock, directors, Henry Gastineou Treasurer. August 5th, the following notice was published. "The electors of Malvern are called upon to vote on the question of issuing bonds to build a school house. The election will be held at the Curtis House August 11th, and don't you forget it." It was thought wise to add this reminder, for all the voters were busy men and might forget. It was not forgotten, and the election carried almost unanimously in favor of the issue of bonds for three thousand dollars. The question of location was soon settled. Bonds were issued and sold to G. W. Frank of Corning, Iowa. Mr. Frank was sales manager of the town site properties along the line, and a representative of eastern capital. Contract was let for a brick building and December 4th, 1871, the first session of the public school was called to order in the new building. It is now all covered up in the present school building. F. H. Hannah was the first instructor of the Malvern school and Miss Florence McCrary his assistant.

Religious services had been observed from time to time by Rev's. Plumb, Cooley, Otis and Loomer in section house, Hotel and Depot wareroom. An early movement was made by the Methodist and the Baptist people for bulding church homes in Malvern. The M. E. Church society was organized here as a part of the circuit April 24th, 1870. We have no record of the charter members of this society, other than J. H. Madden, Jesse Reed and Henry Raines as the nucleus of the organization. In the early summer, funds were pledged, location selected on west side of Second Avenua between 5th and 6th Streets and the building erected and all ready for the dedication service March 31st, 1870. Rev. J. P. Evans was the first pastor.

There was an organization of the Baptist Church that was formed December 26, 1857, that had held services at the old log school house in the

Britt neighborhood and later at Centerline School house. The question of building in the new village was soon taken up, and through the labors of J. C. Otis of Glenwood, arrangements were made and a church home was built on the north east corner of Douglas Street and Prospect Avenue. The society known as the Silver Creek Baptist Church was disbanded and the members with a few additions were reorganized as The Malvern Baptist Church. The names of the original members of Malvern Church were: Andrew and Margaret Berkhimer, W. A. Cain, Mary Carsner, Amanda E. Davis, Margaret Dunigan, W. K. Follett, B. G. Harrison, Phyllis Harrison, Ellen Purcell, Hannah F. Summers, Harriett Woodrow, Stephen Woodrow, and Enoch and Elizabeth Witt, Rev. W. A. Cain, Pastor.

The people seem to be too healthy for so many doctors and Dr. Stetson changes his abode from Malvern to Hastings, and D. McFarlane, the dry goods man, moves to keep company with the doctor. There are others we could spare better than these two good citizens.

Early in 1871, Mr. J C. Herbert and family came to Malvern and Mr. Herbert starts a hospital for decrepit footwear and also keeps a small stock of healthy ready made goods. His little shop and home combined which he put up on east side 3rd Avenue near 3rd Street, is the only one of the old time land marks that remains in form as it was then. It has had no paint for more than a generation of time and looks weatherbeaten and aged, but it is still the shelter of a home. It was in the rear of this building where the tragedy of Clay White's death occurred, whether by accident or suicide, uncertain which. The life was gone, when near by neighbors investigating the shot found the lifeless body and the gun by his side.

When the young man with changing and roving inclinations was told the old axiom that "A rolling stone gathers no moss" replied that he didn't want any moss, it is so with some of our citizens who want to get into a new harness for the duties and burdens of life's work. J. N. Sheldon sells his business to Mr. Darling who forms a partnership with P. V. Hawley as firm of Hawley and Darling. J. J. Curtis transfers the Curtis house to a Mr. Dunlap and A. N. Covert is acting landlord. J. W. Lawson sells his furniture business to J. M. Heifner. The firm of Brothers, Gastineau & Co. transfer drug store interests to the firm of Gastineau & Donner. James S. Miller sells the pioneer blacksmith shop to W. H. E. Smith. Capt. Cullers leases the Malvern House to Geo. B. Hook and Harry Baker two young husky fellows who stay by it just one month, July, 1871, and conclude that they had rather dig for gold in some other way. The Captain again takes up his market basket and goes out foraging for supplies.

We have some new folks that are coming in; S. Shamp has a pleasant place on 3rd avenue south of Curtis House where he sells gum, licorice and candy and serves oysters in season; Provost & Safeley Furniture and Undertaking; Mrs. Bowers and Mrs. Shamp Millinery; J. W. Jones a horse

garage; John O'Conner a new blacksmith; Gidley & Heck Contractors; J. E. Neiman plasterer; Roberts & Sweetzer, Drugs; J. C. Cook is the brick maker.

In the spring of 1870, Mr. W. D. Evans was opening up a new farm east of town, and in 1871 he purchased some lots on 3rd street on which he erected a good building, in the rear of which facing on 3rd avenue he started in the banking business under the name of the Mills County Bank, and the front of the building facing on 3rd Street was occupied by the new hardware store of Wm. Black & Co. It was much appreciated by the business men, the opening of a bank in the village, for the greater safety and convenience in money transactions.

Mr. Evans' son, J. G. Evans was the first one to start the rail road revenues at Milton and Malvern by purchase of a ticket to Mt. Pleasant, then the home of the family. The office that day, early in the year 1870, was just being opened up in a box car on the side track and this was the first money transaction at this point to start the volume of business that is now being done. As per Gus Gerber, the agent's report below, between January 1st and October 1st, 1871, Cash received \$23592.35; Shipments: 6780 Hogs, 1136 Cattle, 79286 bushels Corn. 22000 bushels Wheat, 4665 bushels of other grains, Lumber received 726000 ft.

Business of all kinds was good, our trade territory extending north beyond the county line, south into Fremont County, east in competition with our neighbors Hastings and Emerson and west with Hillsdale and Glenwood. May 27th, 1871, there are o many teams in town with grain, that they fall in line a block in length to take their turn to get weighed.

There was a necktie social at Mrs. Adams home last night. The price of admission was a necktie and the way we got matched up with a partner in the game was interesting. We were nearly all there and the event came off in laughable order, for the participants in those social gatherings were an unchecked lot, not many that had silver threads in the hair or bunions on the feet.

The citizens of Milton did not observe our National Natal day in 1870, and there was two years of pent up enthusiasm and patriotism on hand for July 4th, 1871, and the people gathered from town and country, near and far, in Mr. W. R. Johnson's timber south west of town. H. H. Gorton one of our Real Estate firm was reader, Attorney H. B. Williams of Glenwood was orator of the day. We had no brass band, but fine vocal music all joining in, in singing America. Florence McCrary, Mattie McBride, J. G. Evans and I. J. Swain, the leaders, sang like meadow larks in the spring time. Then the picnic spread of good things to eat for dinner and Fourth of July lemonade was next in order on the program. After the crumbs were gathered up then followed the social visiting, games and amusements. There were no restrictions on noise and firecrackers and it

was a great day for the small boy and girl and the older boys and girls as well.

Mr. M. E. Boehner is building him a home on the south side of Douglas street corner Prospect Avenue. Dr. Roberts is putting up a neat little cottage on the side hill on the north side of the same street. In answer to inquisitive inquiries he says his sister is going to keep house for him. Mr. Wm. Black has his fine new home on Douglas Street and First Avenue ready for occupancy in September 1871.

Thanksgiving day union service was held in the Baptist Church, most of the business houses closing for observance of the day in church service and social gatherings.

Mulholland, Thatcher & Co. are established as permanent grain buyers.

Hubert Harris is the name of our new tailor. His business card says he will clean and dye your old clothes or make you some new ones. But Hubert was a boozer and didn't stay long on the job.

The popular parlor game of setting up is quite the fad just now among the young people and has resulted in several life long partnerships already recorded and more to follow. Isaac Mulholland of the firm of Mulholland, Thatcher & Co., thinks he can manage his business better, with another partner and Miss Kate Boehner says yes to his partnership proposals. Dr. Roberts has changed his mind about having his sister keep house for him, and Miss Ruth Barnes, as his wife takes her place as homekeeper. Geo. B. Hook goes east to Brewer, Maine and weds Miss Susie Currier. Henry Gastineau goes to Indiana and finds a Mrs. Gastineau.

Some idea of the acreage of untamed virgin soil that was waiting for the coming of the settler from an advertisement of Copeland & Tomblin of date December 23rd, having 50000 acres of rail road land for sale on easy terms.

New Year's eve, 1871, Lawson's quadrille band furnish the music for a dancing party at Bennett's Hall.

New Year's day 1872, there is a wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Black. Their daughter Marion is married to Mr. L. C. Mullen from Ohio. New Year's day will always have more than the ordinary interest of the day to them.

Our village has outgrown its clothes and must have a new suit. We have got along nicely under the government of the township officials but we need some special rules and regulations for better control of the town's interests. An election was called February 24th, 1872, to vote on incorporation, which carried and in May our first municipal election was called, resulting in the election of Wash Darling as Mayor, Wm. M. McCrary Recorder, W. D. Evans, H. E. Boehner, J. J. Haight, J. D Paddock and Wm. Norris for councilmen.

The saloon business was the one great disturbing element that needed incorporation control. Beer Halls were in those days an expected part of

the business of small towns as well as large ones. Many of the lunch rooms and restaurants provided both food for the hungry and hard drinks for the thirsty. The liquor business was not under the ban of public opinion as it is now. Many good men and citizens looked upon it with complacency and took the part of those who considered it an infringement of personal rights of the individual to interfere with the traffic. Overlooking the personal wrongs and suffering of many more in number who come under its baneful influence. It is hoped the historian will be pardoned for moralizing and also for bringing in two letters of able men of those times to show the wide diverging views of the drinker and the abstainer.

TWO FAMOUS LETTERS

The following letter and answer to it were found in or among the effects of the late Dr. Buckley at Mount Vernon, Ill. Both are classic and will doubtless be observed in many scrap books:

"Dear Buckley: I send you some of the most wonderful whiskey that ever drove the skeleton from the feast or painted landscapes in the brain of man. It is the mingled soul of wheat and corn. In it you will find the sunshine and shadow that chased each other over billowy fields, the breath of June, the carol of the lark, the dew of the night, the wealth of summer and autumn, rich content, all golden with imprisoned light. Drink it and you will hear the voice of men and maidens sing in the 'Harvest Home,' mingled with the laughter of children. Drink it and you will feel within your blood the starred dawns, the dreamy, tawny dusks of perfect days. For forty years this liquid has been confined within the staves of oak, longing to touch the lips of man. Your friend, ROBERT G. INGERSOLL."

"My Dear Bob: I return to you some of the most wonderful whiskey that ever brought a skeleton into the closet or painted scenes of lust and bloodshed in the brain of man. It is the ghost of wheat and corn, crazed by the loss of their natural bodies. In it you will find a transient sunshine chased by a shadow as cold as an Arctic midnight, in which the breath of June grows icy, and the carol of the lark gives place to the foreboding cry of the raven. Drink it and you will have woe, sorrow, babbling and wounds without cause. Your eyes shall behold 'strange women and your heart shall utter perverse things.' Drink it deep and you shall hear the voices of demons shrieking, women wailing, children mourning the loss of a father who yet lives. Drink it deep and long serpents will hiss in your ears, coil themselves about your neck and seize you with their fangs. 'At last it biteth

like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.' For forty years this liquid death has been confined with staves of oak, harmless there as pure water. I send it to your mouth to steal away your brains, and yet I call myself your friend.

BUCKLEY."

The landlords become weary in well doing and changes are made. In January, 1872, Captain Cullers sells Malvern House to W. H. Anderson and soon after Mr. Lee Anderson, brother of W. H., buys the Dunlap House, formerly the Curtis house

Sidewalks in small towns then as well as larger towns and cities were constructed of boards, plank and brick. Our walks and crossings were all of boards and plank, making a fine runway and home for the rats and a pitfall for accident and trouble. No street grades were established and every one built on his own level and the heights and depths, steps up and down were wonderful. Citizens on 4th Avenue decided to meet on a level and we had one whole block of level walk.

April 13, 1872, Wm. Copeland receives the appointment as Postmaster at Malvern and on June 8th, 1872, the money order department was established and the first money order issued from the Malvern office.

Mr. John Farley is our meat market man, a new citizen.

We list the names, of the present time business men and women in life as history makers, who were pupils in our public school, April 24, 1872:

Walter Atkinson
Johnie Atkinson
Amy Atkinson
Mary Atkinson
Ella Black
Clara Boehner
Emma Brobst
Ida Brobst
Ella Brobst
Eddie Boehner
Chester Berkhimer
Sarah Berkhimer
Thomas Benton
Ida Bennett
Alice Berry
Sarah Berry
Clarence Cullers
Robt. Copeland

Lottie Copeland
Eva Copeland
Bessie Carsner
Vena Donner
Charles Fleming
Lucy Herbert
Jennie Herbert
Henry Herbert
Willie Herbert
Agnes Herbert
Susie Knapp
Emma Long
Benton Lawson
Clay McCrary
Harry McCrary
Anna Miller
Viola Miller

Eugene Miller
Charlie Miller
Earlie Norris
Mary Norton
Harry Provost
Frank Pratt
Emma Ringland
Maggie Ringland
Eva Ringland
Lucy Strahan
Ella Strahan
Frank Strahan
Eddie Shamp
Willie Shamp
Johnie Shamp
Lucinda Thompson
Lillie West

June 8th, 1872, the Town Council passed an ordinance establishing saloon license at \$80.00 per year, and \$20.00 per year for each billiard table, with restrictions and penalties for opening the doors on Sunday.

The vote of the council was not always unanimous in favor of saloon license, for its inconsistency, to vote a tax upon a business which if not legitimate should not be allowed and if lawful should not be taxed.

Little bands of indians visit us occasionally, selling their wares, begging some, and possibly borrowing some.

Mr. Gus Bada buys the pioneer blacksmith shop of Mr. Smith who only a short time before had bought it of Jim the pioneer. Gus stays with it several years. He comes over occasionally from his Nebraska home to visit relatives and see how we are getting along without him.

To spur up business and get his fill of watermelon Copeland offers a year's subscription to the Chronicle for largest one brought to his office. He was kept busy for many days, making records of the weight of them, and adding their weight to his own and his friends weight. Henry Slonaker got the paper for a 39 pound melon.

Mr. A. D. Place has been here some little time and likes it so well that his mother and two sisters come to make Malvern their home and Mr. Place goes into the lumber business.

The Mills County Bank the name adopted by W. D. Evans for his business is also taken by Glenwood parties who start later for organization of a bank at Glenwood. To avoid confusion and trouble Mr. Evans submits to the encroachment and renames his business as the Farmers and Traders bank.

Robert, Joe and John Knight, three brothers, take up their residence in Malvern. Death calls Joe, but Robert and John have kept up their citizenship since then, and have had an active part in the interests of town and county—one as a bridge builder and the other as a builder of homes.

James Jones wife and baby make this their stopping place. Death has broken into their home, but members of the family are yet interested in Malvern as residents, or living near by.

One morning in August, a telegram comes to Capt. Boehner that his son Geo. R. Boehner had been killed in an accident on the Texas & Pacific Railway, a startling and sad message to them.

The wife of our townsman, C. W. Black, dies today, November 26th, 1872, having been only a month or two of life in her new Iowa farm home.

Mr. Washington Darling was a man of ability and a good citizen in the community, as a farmer near here. He was one of the earlier settlers of the county and had served as a member of the state legislature in the late 50's. Mr. Darling was a contractor with two other parties for the construction of this section of the railroad and in some way was held responsible for old claims against his partners, which crippled him financially and also crippled in bodily strength by paralysis of his legs a few years before. He struggled heroically to recuperate his losses in mercantile business in Malvern, but was too much handicapped for the success he tried so manfully to win and the business was closed.



Third Avenue in 1872, Looking West from Second Avenue.



Hunting for feathered game was not very exciting on account of the little time it took for the sportsman to fill the game bag. Prairie chickens, quail, geese and ducks in great numbers, especially prairie chickens. In the ten days preceding the holidays of 1872, our grocer F. P. Spencer took in for shipment over 90 dozen of these birds alone. Now and then we had venison, but not often. An indiscriminate slaughter of the game birds and the wanton destruction of the buffalo on the plains of Nebraska, Kansas and Colorado, has brought about the extinction of the buffalo and almost so of the game bird. Now the small boy and the larger boy in their lust to kill are bringing about in the same way, the destruction of the song birds. As the poet lover of the tree has said "Woodman spare that tree," we would say to the boy, boy spare the life of the song bird.

Thanksgiving day 1872 the morning service at the M. E. Church, Rev. C. Merwin speaker, evening service at Baptist Church, Rev. Frank Britt in the pulpit.

Christmas Eve 1872, we all have a personal interest in the community Christmas tree at the M. E. Church, a fine young forest tree loaded to the top. We all got gifts. The editor of the Chronicle was one who was friendly enough to tell what his gifts were—one large delicious onion, one small sack of beans and one doll of African descent.

In 1872 and 1873 carpenters, plasterers, tinners, painters and helpers were kept busy building new business houses, enlarging the older ones, and building homes, that added much to the permanence and beauty of the village, Curtis & Sweetzer, Henry Raines, Wm. Norris and James Churchill built business houses and Prof. Hannah, Frank Tubbs, I. P. Rickabaugh, Eli Vickery, H. Austen, Wm. Sweetzer, M. J. Curtis, G. T. Donner, A. N. Covert, A. P. Provost, Wm. McCrary, H. Gastineau, W. D. Evans, F. P. Spencer, A. D. Place, M. E. Mitchell, Tip Wilson, Henry Bohlen, built homes in the north and east parts of the town, bringing the whole hillside with them. In the south part of town improvements were also being made, Rev. Merwin makes a location on the south east lots of the plat on which he erected a fine home for thos early times, in which he resided for a number of years and for several years it was a home for others. Recently the wreckage of the building has been used in the modern home of D. E. Whitfield. Barnet, Kelsey, Carsner, Brobst, Dunn, Andres, Churchill, Miller and Noel were other builders in this south side section. buildings were not all large and commodious ones, but large or small they all had about them the magic influence of the word HOME.

Cook and Kemple are the brick makers in the suburbs of town, Walton and Pickett raise and sell stock from their nursery garden north of town where the nice country home of C. M. Follett now stands.

The year's saloon license is about to expire and the saloon men are finding fault with the amount of tax imposed. The mayor calls a public meet-

ing, for an expression and it is a very strong one that no lower license be granted.

James H. Smith with wife and babies move to Malvern. J. E. Garrigues, and Robt. Aiton in partnership in Law, Real Estate and Insurance business. J E. Neiman buys I. P. Rickabaugh's home. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Hook have enough of the "wild and wooly" west and return to their old eastern home place, Brewer and Bangor, Maine. It is with regret that we say good by to them. They will be missed in business and in social life. Death called Mr. Hook from his extensive business of tent and sail making a few years ago.

March, 1873, R. J. Brown from Bedford, Iowa, buys out J. J. Haights hardware business. Hamer F. Wilson, and Al and Harry Hershey are young men, new residents of the town, that in some way have dropped down here and having a good appearance and enough to pay their board and washing, the town people seemed to enjoy their company and let them stay. They were here until they got mated with three of our best young ladies and wrestled awhile with business pursuits. They have at last wandered away and seem to have forgotten the place where they passed so many happy days in their young manhood. Mr. H. A. Norton the grocer and Mr. Joseph Thomas the tailor are two new men in the business ranks. Mr. Norton has been quite a factor in helping to build up the interests of the town.

Four of our young people get mated in due form, Mr. E. B. Knapp and Miss Lucy Herbert; Mr. G. T. Donner and Miss Ella Haight.

Bert Nichois the jeweler thinks he will try a new way to shave the people and he buys out the barber shop of Clarence Denmark.

April 12th, 1873, there are some new men at the helm to guide the business of the village—J. J. Haight is Mayor; A. D. Place Recorder; C. H. Paddock, E. B. Knapp, S. W. Roberts, F. P. Spencer, and Wm. Black councilmen.

W. E. McDaniels takes Mr. Gerber place as agent at the C. B. & Q. In the early evening of the Sabbath day, May 24, a storm came up with rain, bright flashes of lightning and sharp snappy peals of thunder. In a few moments as the storm abated there came from the street the exciting cry of fire. Our fire department, the noble bucket brigade, every able bodied citizen a member, responded in double quick time. In the darkness of the night it was soon located as the bright flames leaped up from the roof of I. B. Ringlands home—a lightning stroke on the chimney. Dashing up 3rd street came the runners, swinging an empty bucket or carrying one filled. With ladders, the roof was quickly scaled and the fire quenched. No harm but the shock and scare to the inmates of the home.

Some new arrivals to day, F. M. Morford and family take up their residence in Malvern.

"Music hath charms"—John Jackson is the leader of our Malvern Cornet Band and the boys who furnish the wind are Henry Slonaker, Eli Vickery, E. B. Knapp, Geo. Bailey, Dud Rickabaugh, Wm. Wiles and J. E. Robinson.

February 11th, 1873, Mr. Marshall M. Angel and Miss Retta Cunningham became partners in the journey of life together.

Mr. Daniel Hargin leases the Malvern House of Mr. Anderson and tries his ability as landlord.

Some badness would break out occasionally, and there was need for some comfortable, safe place to put the culprit until the badness wore off. The council in April made arrangements to build a calaboose. Some of the older ones may remember its construction. It was made entirely of 2x4 studding laid flat and spiked togeher. It was a cozy place for the inmates to dream dreams and make resolutions for better conduct. History makes no record what became of this ancient relic.

E. B. Leland succeeds McDaniels at the Railroad station. Wm. Norris completes his business building on 3rd Street, store room below and public hall above.

At a public meeting called by D. M. Whitfield and Joseph Foxworthy at the Malvern School House in May, 1873, a temporary organization was formed for an annual exhibit of stock and farm products of the county at Malvern. August 11th a permanent organization was effected under the title of Mills County Central Agricultural and Mechanical Association and the following named officers elected: John Barnum, Pres., S. VanOrsdel, V. P., J. D. Paddock, Sec., and W. D. Evans, Treas., and a board of directors representing the different townships of the county. Stock was subscribed and paid in placing it on a good financial basis. June 25th, the Stockholders selected the grounds and purchase made of Mr. J. M. Strahan of twenty five acres. Work was commenced and good progress made for the first exhibit October 1st to 4th, 1873. In addition to its use for the annual fairs since then, the natural beauty of the grounds, has made it a pleasant meeting place for holiday crowds, sports, picnics, Chautauquas and other gatherings. The sons and daughters of its first promotors are now in charge and planning for its success. In these later days the young people seem to be forgetting the prime object of the association in its inception, and are taken up too much with its sporting amusements, to the neglect of its farming interests, making them of secondary importance.

While the drum and fife were sounding out their loudest tones of martial music and people getting into line to celebrate our national holiday in 1873, a mover's wagon drawn by a yoke of oxen came slowly into town wearied out from their journey from Minnesota, on the way to Missouri. They stopped to rest the jaded oxen and themselves too, and never continued their journey to the southland but became residents of Malvern,

Henry Lehr and family and Jake Konefka and wife. After a few years here Mr. Lehr moved to a farm in one of the counties north. Mr. Konefke and family remained as permanent residents of Malvern.

Some of our troubles as business men- In 1862 our country was in the throes of Civil War, and as a war measure, specie payments were suspended and gold and silver coin entirely disappeared from circulation, and there was trouble galore in making change. For a while merchants and corporations issued tickets, duebills and other forms of private obligations Congress temporarily authorized the use of postage stamps, but they stuck to the persons so that they were not popular. Then what was called postal currency, and finally fractional currency bills, were issued in size according to its value stamp in 5, 10, 15, 25 and 50 cent denominations, and this was the current change from 62 to 79. A customer in payment for a small purchase that did not need a greenback would produce a wad of fractional currency, commonly called shinplasters, in payment of the bill. We were delighted then as now to get the clean fresh bills right from the government press, but it was oft times a bad case to distinguish the dirty crumpled torn bills whether they were genuine or counterfeit, and would occasionally have to haggle with the customer as to whether there was enough of the piece left for redemption. The merchants would lay aside those too bad to circulate and present them to the redemption banks for exchange for new bills. There was a scale and rules of redemption with percentage of discount according to the size of the remnants. The inspector would occasionally give a piece a whack with the government stamp that said "counterfeit", to our sorrow and loss.

If the disease microbes had been as active then as now, we would all have perished by the wayside handling the filthy pieces of paper with the government value stamp on. When specie payments were again resumed in 1879, the gold and silver coins came out from their hiding places, and the mints turned out the shining metal until all was lovely again.

Mrs. J. N. Sheldon and Miss Irick, Millinery and Dress making.

The population of the town is about 800.

In the winter of 1873 and '74, there was a great interest in a union revival meeting held in the Baptist Church under Rev. J. W. Roe's preaching and the faithful assistance in every way of the pastors of the other churches. There were over one hundred conversions. The entire meeting was blessed by harmony and a christian fellowship, and at its close those who had chosen the hetter way of life made choice of their church home. The memories of these times and the good influence of the meetings have sustained and helped in many homes during the years that have passed since then.

January 4, 1874, C. H. Paddock and Mattie McBride are united in the bonds of wedlock and closely following them during the year by the same tie were Mr. M. K. Rickabaugh and Miss Anna Knapp and Mr. Al Hawkins

and Miss Nellie Boehner. Mr. Hawkins takes his bride away from Malvern but as long as Mr. Hawkins lived he had more or less financial and business interests here that kept them both interested in Mrs. Hawkins' old home place.

The saloon or sidewalk question in one form or another, comes in for the serious attention of the city fathers at every meeting. The council of 1874, make the following record, "Be it ordained that Ordinance No. 14 be so annexed as to read \$500 instead of \$200 for yearly license to sell wine and beer", carried. The troubles of the present day council are civic improvement by water supply, curb and gutter, sewer and street paving.

Malvern Lodge I. O. of O. F. instituted in March, 1874. Wm. McCrary N. G., G. D. Reynolds V. G., Dr. A. Eddy Rec. Sec., J. J, Dunlap, Treas,

Again there are some changes in the business of the town. Mr. Zanders sells his business to Mr. J. P. Retelsdorf and goes again to the farm. Gus Donner sells his drug store interests to H. K. Snyder & Co., new men to Malvern and in partnership with M. J. Curtis they buy out the elevator and grain business of Evans Bros., and the new firm is now Curtis & Donner.

May 13, 1874, a train load of 34 cars of cattle shipped today to Chicago. In today's issue of the Chronicle is the ad of a new business house. "Farmers look here, 10 lbs E. C. Sugar \$1.00, 9 lbs. A. Sugar \$1.00, 10 lbs Carolina Rice \$1.00, Best English Soda 10c, Heaviest brown muslin 12½ c yard by the bolt, Prints 8c to 11c yard, and everything else at like prices."

We give a Dolly Varden mixture of news and business in the summary of people-below that have not been introduced. Raines & Reynolds are drug store men, Rickabaugh Bros. new grocers, M. K. Rickabaugh Harness, Robt. Aiton is our legal advisor, Dr. A. E. Eddy represents the homeopathic practice of medicine; wagon makers and blacksmiths are Adams & Jackson and Frank Hobbs, Hobbs new candy stores and short order houses, M. Brobst & John Christopher, Wilson & Place are buyers and cribbers of corn, I. H. Adams Restaurant; new men that push the saw and plane John M. Creswell, Safely Bros., A. P. Provost, J. L. Hammond, Ed Smith, Jake and Joel Miller and Saul Hibbs; Geo. Lynch the new tailor; the ladies Armstrong & Hobbs Dress makers, J. B. Coup is the picture man, Ed. Haymaker saloon.

Baptist parsonage built and foundation laid for the new Presbyterian church.

Hello!! Young boys and older boys are out on the street today, experimenting with this hello business, yet new to us inlanders. A wire has been run from 3rd Street and 2nd Avenue over the buildings up to north 1st Avenue and with an old cyster can at each end for receivers the boys are hallooing at each other over the connecting line. The experiments quite satisfactory, that there were "millions in it" or soon would be.

The new postal law goes into effect at the post office for free distribution of newspapers in the county where published.

The town council haven't had time they say to pass an ordinance forbidding the free range of cows and pigs, and they are getting talked about scandalously by those who have no cow or pig.

The Chronicle man is feeling fine in his new roomy press room over Raines & Reynolds Drug Store on 3rd Street and invites the public to visit the place where the bright editorials in the Chronicle are hatched.

Mr. F. Nutt is our bread and cake builder and Nathan Feast is the new barber. Mr. Darling sells his livery barn, his last property interests in Malvern to Mr. Anderson, the hotel man.

One lovely Sabbath day in June, 1874, friends invited us from Church to their country home to take dinner with them. On our way out, our attention was drawn to the immense swarm of grasshoppers in the air above. As we looked up towards the sun the air to a great height was clouded with them, flying towards the north west. Monday morning we found millions of them in number had lighted for a rest and a bite of something to eat. There were so many of them and they took so many bites that there was not enough of the growing grain, corn and garden stuff to satisfy their hunger. After a short visit of a day or two, they took wing again and departed for pastures new, leaving hundreds of acres in the county of bare stubby corn stalks, headless fields of grain and devasted gardens. Our people remember it as grasshopper year.

July 3, 1874, a 75 foot flag pole raised to day at 3rd Street and 4th Avenue to fly the colors on Independence Day.

Mr. E. K. Kemple advertizes 65000 brick for sale at \$7.00 per M. Old settlers can recognize the products of Brother Kemple's manufacture today as they see them from old foundations taken down.

Marshall M. Angel takes the place of Prof. Austen who resigns as principal of our public school.

The Catholic Church was organized and building erected in 1874, John B. Murphy the prime mover in its inception and completion. We have no records of the other helpers. Father Kempker from Council Bluffs among the first to conduct services.

July 30th, 1874, Rosaline S. Roe dies today, and the home is desolate without the living presence of the wife and to the five young lives in the home without the mother and the mother's love.

J. G. W. F. Fleming comes to town with initials enough to his name to be a duke, but he is modest and only claims to be a good painter.

First National Bank organized, J. M. Strahan President, L. Bentley Cashier.

The location of the town as first platted proved to be too low and level for good drainage of streets and alleys and too near water for dry cellars and basements that would be needed for good business houses. There being no remedy but to move to higher ground the effort was made to make it unanimous but the proposition to do so did not meet the approval of all; some moved and some remained. July, August and September, 1873, were busy times for those who moved in tearing loose from old foundations and moving on to new ones on First Avenue.

The location of the post office became a bone of contention between the sections of the divided town after the removal. Billy Copeland, the post-master having the office on 1st avenue was knocked out in the first round of the fight, Mr. John N. Sheldon receiving the appointment and it was promptly removed to suit. Clarence Denmark (The Count) the popular clerk, barber and handy man was appointed as deputy.

As a compromise measure in the location of the post office a building was erected on the south west corner of 3rd Street and 1st Avenue for a midway location and there was another change of postmaster August 31st, 1874, and the office located in the new building, I. H. Adams as deputy. The new post office building was also the first place of business of the First National Bank after its organization in January, 1875. There was also a suite of living rooms in the rear of the office and the bank, two offices and hall of Silver Urn Masonic Lodge above.

Rhea J. Donner is interested in the livery business in a new building on 4th Street.

There had congregated together from time to time quite a community settlement around and near the homes of the old settlers, Jos. Foxworthy and Daniel Hargin and the school house of that district. At a casual meeting one day of a few, they were strenuously objecting to one name that had been given to them as a community by an outside neighbor. And Mr. John Dyson says our name shall be Peaceville, and it was thought to be an appropriate name for the little hamlet where harmony and good will had so prevailed. May it be a nucleus for the gathering of the clans of Peace when the whole world nearly is at War. The earlier residents of Peaceville precinct have been Jos. Foxworthy, Daniel Hargan, John Hammond, S. W. Montgomery, Dick Hammond, Robt. Hammond, John Williams, John Dyson, I. Hatfield, Wm. Robinson, E. K. Kemple, Thos. Bonham, Tom Manahan, Mrs. Mary Wooding, Mr. Laing, Wm. VanDoren and Joe Deardorff. As a town we have been claiming the business of the brick yard and Nursery Gardens as a part of our assets, we feel some responsibility for the whole hamlet. The lives of the scholars of their public school have had so much to do with Malvern history since 1872, we would like to give the roll call of that date:

Alice Brothers
Anna Holmes
Albert Darling
Bernardo Byers
Charles Darling

Geo. Foxworthy Geo. Hibbs Howard Brothers Hattie Humphrey Henry Woodrow Myron Montgomery Melissa Foxworthy Mary Raines Mary Byers Orrin Humphrey Charles Holmes Hiram Fuller Phidelia Darling Charles Humphrey John Summers Rachael Hargin Charles Boles John Sanders Rachael Rickabaugh Charles Wooding John Barnes Rufus Foxworthy John Hibbs Charles Hayes Rosa Montgomery Rilla Hammond Clarence VanDoren James Moss James Boles Clarence Hayes Stephen Rickabaugh Clara Darling James Hull Teresa Holmes Charlotte Lewis Kate Corn Thornberg Moss Taylor Raines Dudley Rickabaugh Kate Hayes Tracy Moss Emma Holmes Leslie Summers Emma Hargan Laura Summers Wm. Foxworthy Emma Boles Lilly Brothers Wm. Morse Wm. Moss Elisha Minard Louisa Humphrey Edward Fuller Mary Hammond Walter Montgomery Frank Boles Myra Bishop Warren Hayes Flora Hayes Milton Van Doren. Myra Montgomery

Mr. Curtis of the firm of Curtis & Donner sells his interest in the business as grain dealers, to R. J. Donner and it is now Donner Bros.

Dr. Brothers in company with H. McIntosh purchases a mill site on lower Silver Creek south at the stone quarry and erected a well equipped flouring mill and was in operation by them until 1879, when Mr. F. M. Buffington purchased the property and built up a good business in the products of the Malvern Mills. Later from some unknown cause it caught fire and was entirely destroyed, it being quite a financial loss Mr. Buffington gave up rebuilding.

Some of our people are getting into politics and running for office. Marshall M. Angel was a candidate for County Treasurer and won by the small margin of 10 votes over his popular opponent Wm. Hoch. The office of Coroner not being so much sought after Dr. Brothers was elected by near a thousand majority.

In 1875, Rev. J. W. Roe was quite successful in raising funds for the establishing of an Academical School in Malvern. A plat of ground was secured in the new academy addition to the town. In March, 1876, it was dedicated for the purpose, by tree planting of Maple, Elm and Pine. The first one a pine was placed back in mother earth with the ceremonies of careful tree planting, each one present taking part by casting in some earth about its roots. Before the plans had been fully arranged for the commencement of the building, the founder of the enterprise was taken away by death. The building however as originally planned was erected and dedicated to its purpose. But there was no director of affairs to take the place of the dead, and it did not succeed in that for which it was intended. Prof. Roe M. Bridges opened the school in 1878, in normal and scientific school work and was succeeded by Prof. M. Lewis with his as-

sistants, Davidson Lowe and Miss Taylor and later C. L. Brill and J. D. Graves were helpers to make it win. In 1882, a class of our young people graduated from the school: D. E. Whitfield, A. M. Darling, H. D. Brothers, Miss Myra Bishop, Miss Carrie Buffington and Miss Lillie Brothers. Heroic work was done, but resources and help financially were not sufficent to get it on a solid basis and the effort was abandoned. August 7th, 1882, purchase was made of building and grounds by the Malvern School Board for the use of the higher grades of the public school and so used for several years, until it was destroyed by fire. The trees set out on that snowy March day all lived and are now the landmarks of the location on the lawns at the homes of F. D. Kilpatrick and H. T. Beattie.

The new sign put up today reads Drs. Brothers & Campbell, Physicians and Surgeons.

March, 1875, J. E. Skadan and family take up their abode in Malvern. Mr. Skadan helped to entertain customers for about 40 years, always ready to sell anything in his line, from a harrow tooth to a threshing machine. He has lately answered life's roll call, at his home in Roseburg, Oregon.

E. B. Knapp our pioneer harness maker leaves Malvern. It is not pleasant to say good bye to old time friends like him.

The Church of Christ was organized, February 26th, 1876, Jesse Fowler, W. P. Clark, R. D. Hammond, G. W. Baker, Henry Walton, E. K. Kemple, Adaline Fowler, M. J. Clark, Catherine Harles, Mary Foxworthy, E. Shepard, E. McLane, Lizzie Irick, Mary Morse, Ellen Summers, S. Kemple, Elizabeth Johnson, Jessie Hull and Polly Day as charter members; W. H. Hardman, first pastor.

February 26, 1876. The fully completed and equipped Presbyterian Church building is ready for dedication today.

Mr. W. B. Smith and family have been here some time, Mr. Smith as a helper in the store of Barnes & Roberts. He has his brother S. O. come to Malvern and they open up a lumber yard and were together at the business for about three years. Mrs. S. O. Smith, now a widow, has but lately stopped off at Malvern to make her nephew Mr. Nobe Smith a visit and renew memories of those earlier years of life. The two bright curly headed girls of the family are grown and managers of their own homes, Gertie at Compton, Calif., and Edith a widow, and her mother living at Jamestown, N. Y., seperated by the width of the continent.

The Baptist Church is mourning the death of their pastor, and the community the loss of a good neighbor and citizen.

An increasing interest in the temperance movement in charge of the Ladies Christian Union; Norris Hall is filled every night to hear good speakers, many signing the pledge and putting on the blue ribbon badge, "Moral suasion for the drinker" and "Legal suasion for the seller."

When Rev. D. C. Wortz and family removed from here they left their son William behind and he is yet a resident of Malvern. He has weathered the storms of business life and as councilman for many years, and has been chief of the brave fire fighters in many a fierce contest, and still ready for service when the screecher howls.

Corn, the great product of our farms, is very low in price this year, 10c, 12c and 15c per bushel on the home market and business men are feeling its effect quite severely. Their accounts with the farmers cannot be paid from the proceeds of the crop at the prices. Quite a quantity was used for fuel. It was clean and gave out an intense heat, but its use was not popular while there was other material that could be used that would not sustain physical life.

The elder Mr. Myers and wife and their sons John and Sam and their families locate in Malvern. The older ones are all gone, but some of the children are yet residents.

City directory for 1877, R. L. Gidley, Mayor; J. M. Creswell, Recorder; O. H. Snyder, Assessor; W. D. Evans, Treasurer; Farrell, Wyatt, Korns, Cooper and I. P. Rickabaugh, councilmen. Dr. Curfman and Dr. Carley are two new men for the sick. Mr. E. H. Mabie is Railroad agent. Lewis and Gray and Young and Garrigues are our attorneys.

The national holiday in 1877, was a very hot day and it softened up the paper collars, cuffs and shirt fronts that were then worn, and the roads out of town the next morning were dotted with the manufactured products of the paper factories.

November, 1877. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Malvern was organized, Mrs. Paddock, President; Mrs. McIntosh, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Barnes, Secretary; Mrs. Evans, Treasurer and were on the firing line in many a contest against violations of law and order by the liquor traffic.

Rev. O. T. Conger is pastor of the Baptist Church.

Joseph Thomas puts his needle in the cushion and gets down from the tailor's bench and is going to learn the trade of farming. John Retelsdorf, who has been working for him for three years becomes boss of the business and at this writing, as he works he is still seated on those same bench boards, on which he took his seat as journeyman tailor for Thomas forty two years ago. The boards are nearly worn out from constant use. Like Mr. Thomas, he is soon going to lay aside his needle and measure and be a live stock ranchman in North West Canada, where three of their children are, and the magnet that draws the parents.

John Dunn and family move to Malvern and are yet residents. The children are grown and themselves homemakers.

August 23, 1877. Quite impressive ceremonies today at the laying of the corner stone of the new Academy building.

Two of our townsmen are running for the office of County Auditor, Mr. W. M. McCrary and Hamer F. Wilson. Mr. Wilson wins by the close margin of eight votes. Dr. Curfman is elected County Coroner.

The town is quite interested in the purchase of the post office building

property for a hotel. It was nicely fitted up and opened out as The Judkins House. F. P. Spencer receives his commission as postmaster and the office is located on first Avenue near third street, Emerson Robinson as deputy.

Through the encouragement of some friends in town a gathering was called June, 1878 at Centerline School House and a Sunday School was organized, which with the earnest, faithful service for years of these same friends in town, became a great influence for good in the community.

Through the efforts of Mr. D. H. Solomon of Glenwood, the St. Louis and Council Bluffs railway project, that has lain dormant since 1870, is revived and now in process of construction, and calls for our assistance. September, 1878, a special election was called at the new hotel, The Judkins House on the question of voting a 5 five per cent tax, which carried.

Forepaughs circus and great moral show is in town today and everybody is going. The writer had no children to take as an excuse for wanting to go, so he borrows a neighbor's boy, Billy, who wants to go awful bad. We go and take it all in. Billy said he enjoyed it and so did I.

Emerson Robinson is elected Clerk of the Courts.

In 1878, it was found that our act of incorporation of 1872 was not legal and the necessary steps were taken to correct the error. An election was called and new city officers elected to make it complete, H. E. Boehner, Mayor; R. J. Finch, Recorder; Black, Bartlett, Metz, Paddock, W. B. Smith and Herbert, Councilmen.

Mr. W. M. McCrary and family leave Malvern. Their many friends regret to see them go. John Safely, another good citizen takes a notion to move to Council Bluffs. Dr. Cleaver and family come from Tabor to Malvern. Myron Mershon an early helper in the business of the village after a while away, returns and opens up business for himself, in confectionery and bakery shop. Early this evening the little home of Jack Pierce is burned, with nearly all its contents. Mr. Joe Barrack and family move into town. We will call the roll of changes and new firms. Harlass and Penny the meat market men sell to Wilson and Rickabaugh. W. S. Wiatt Grocer, Boehner & Finch, General Store; Smith Bros., Lumber; W. W. Wills, Jeweler; Baker & Kinports, Furniture; J. W. Bartlett, Grocer; J. H. Love, General Store; Hawkins & Terrill, Gents Furnishings; Files Harness Shop, O. H. Snyder, Drugs; Gray Bros., Harness; Mrs. Buell, Millinery; Ben Garman, boarding house; Roland & Lincoln, Bakery; M. J. Higgins, O. Belknap and Baid and Braker will brighten up things for you if you will furnish the paint. Rev. Conrad goes from, and Rev. D. McIntire comes to the M. E. Church as pastor.

Let's go over to the Waughbonsie!! In the years past the old Missouri had formed a lake bed close up to the bluffs and filled it with water which had been kept quite fresh from the bluff springs and was known as Waughbonsie Lake. It was quite a resort for our town people for picnics, camp-

ing, hunting and fishing, boat riding and gathering pond lilies. The water supply has since been diverted and drained and now king corn grows over the beds of the lilies.

Prof. E. B. Parrish is principal of our school.

A wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Barnes to day April 25, 1878, united the lives of the daughter Miss Minnie Barnes and Dr. S. A. Campbell.

W. S. Lewis is elected as our Representative in the State Legislature. October 15th, 1879, the first through train on the St. Louis and Council Bluffs Railroad goes through town. November 8th, at about 8:30 in the evening, not quite a month later, occurred the frightful disaster at St. Charles, Mo., taking three lives of our own people, bringing great sorrow to our town and the community. Mr. Josiah Wearin, Mr. R. W. Hyde and John Summers, also the life of John Barnet the brakeman that brought sorrow to some other home. Mr. J. M. Strahan and Mr. Fred Davis were also in the caboose car with the others. Mr. Strahan obeyed quickly the impulse and jumped off from the car into the darkness, miraculously striking astride of the pier timbers, to which he clung, while the car in which his companions were, went down in a second of time later into the opened chasm, to the rocks and water 75 feet below. Mr. Davis went down with those who perished, but was wondrously spared his life, with only slight bodily injuries. A span of the bridge gave way under the heavily loaded stock train of eighteen cars of cattle which were being shipped to Buffalo, N. Y. The coupling broke from the first car back of the engine, which remained on the solid span of the bridge, while the seventeen cars of brute life, and the caboose car with its human life went down. John Summers was not killed outright, but after hours of suffering, death came to his relief. It is saddened sympathetic crowds that have gathered at the depot a day or two waiting the arrival of the train bearing the dead and the survivors of the wreck.

Manufacturers are putting on the market barbed wire for fencing, and John Getman our townsman has a machine that will put the ugly looking points on plain wire, and is doing a big business with the farmers.

The following named young people have been tied with a true lovers knot and are testing love: I. C. Bonham and Georgie Earl, Al Hershey and Jennie Place, J. E. Garrigues and Nellie Boehner, Robt. Padget and Anna Conger.

Olaf Hedlund takes up his duties as a citizen.

Mr. J. W. Bartlett has interests that call him away and they move to Red Oak.

June, 1880. A destructive fire visited the town, resulting in the loss of one life; Mrs. H. T. Willard living up stairs in the Sweetzer building returning to get something was caught in the flames and burned so badly that after hours of terrible suffering death came to her relief. Four build-

ings were burned swied by Wm. Norris and Mr. Sweetzer and the grocery stock of D. W. C. Kline with only limited insurance.

At the June session of the board of County Supervisors a good strong petition was presented to them asking that the necessary steps be taken for obtaining an expression from the people in regard to removal of the county seat to Malvern. It was contrary to the wishes of a majority of the board and no action was taken.

The Farmers and Traders Bank move into their new brick building just completed, northwest corner First Avenue and 3rd Street.

Corn cobs are very cheap, an awful big load for sixty five cents and you can get 20 pounds of dried apples at the stores for one dollar.

Mr. Waiter Larison buys the Henshaw Barber shop and forms a partnership with his brother Charles already in the business, and it was the firm of Larison Bros. for many years.

December 8, 1880, I. B. Ringland dies, a large man in heart and conscience as well as stature, high ideals of right and justice, which he practiced in his life. Have had associations with others along down these years, in this premium class, but not all of us are gifted that way.

Market quotations December 23, 1880: Wheat 78c bushel, Oats 20c, Corn 23c, Rye 50c, Barley 55c, Hay \$4.00 and \$6.00 ton, Flour \$2.50 and \$3.00, Corn Meal \$1.20, Potatoes 75c, Eggs 18c, Butter 20c, Lard 10c, Green Hides 6c lb., Hogs \$4.00, Cattle \$2.50 to \$3.75, Dressed chickens 7c lb, Sugar Cured Hams 13c lb., Clear Side Bacon 11c lb., Onions \$1.25 bu., Apples \$1.00 bu., Coal Oil 35c gallon.

Mr. Geo. W. Bates is a new Restaurant man.

F. P. Spencer a stand pat citizen of ten years record, breaks loese from Malvern. His judgment is good and be don't go very far away. Mr. Spencer was a soldier in the Civil war, and for a while was a guest of the Southern Confederacy, having a suite of rooms at Andersonville prison.

Mr. R. A. Baird is our new lumber dealer and Mr. J. D. Graves his assistant.

Father Wallace the marrying parson and business man, makes the record today of uniting his 656th couple. How much war and how much peace he has legalized in such a home roll.

Miss Pangburn a business woman of the village for several years sells the Millinery business to Mrs. M. Lewis. Prof. Wm. Moore is principal of the school with Mrs. Mitchener, Miss Laura Bishop and Miss Kate Brown assistants. The pastors of the Churches. A. Rhodes, Baptist Church; W. J. Wilson, Presbyterian Church; A. J. Andres, M. E. Church; Christian Church no settled pastor.

The Board of Trade members have worn the hair off the top of their heads, butting in for new business and big things for Malvern. A promoter for the creamery business is here and has interested enough of our people in the matter to subscribe stock for a \$6500 plant. R. E. Copson commences the business of manufacture of brooms. Mr. Harry Jewett with the firm of Moninger & Ringland who takes charge of the business after Mr. Ringland's death sells out to F. C. Harris & Co., who take possession of this old established business.

A marriage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Strahan, their daughter Lucy to Mr. D. A. Jones, June 16th, 1881.

Rev. R. M. Coulter follows Mr. Wilson as pastor of Presbyterian church.

The wife having been taken away by death, J. T. Daugherty sells his home on Chase Street between Marion Avenue and Lincoln Avenue to Prof. Moore, consideration \$475.

H. T. Richmond strolls down here from Carson and he likes it so well that he stays.

Mr. Wm. Black finding business more burdensome than in his younger days, sells his stock of hardware to R. J. Brown and Mr. Brown in assuming the new business takes John Barton into partnership with him.

Earlie Norris and Mary Leak start out on the journey of married life.

The first record we have of the now indispensible phone business, Mr.
Baird the lumberman connects office and home.

Parties are surveying railroad route Malvern to Avoca.

Mr. Gidley rents the Judkins House property to Mr. Frank Wilkinson.

Cupid is very busy at his work. Mr. Lindsey comes down from Council Bluffs and takes the daughter, Miss Lizzie from the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Evans and Elmer Stone comes from Glenwood and takes Miss Atlanta Anderson the landlord's daughter. Mr. Major Barnes, Miss Gertie Bartlett; Charles Larison, Miss Nettie Finch, John Barton, Miss Bessie Tucker; Eli Crane, Miss Phidelia Darling, S. E. Campbell and Miss Anna Deaver, all have stopped to listen to cupid's artful stories.

A vagrant traveler visits Paddock's Clothing Store on First Avenue near 3rd Street, while it was temporarily left in charge of the lad Willie Roe and selects a coat that suits him and doesn't stop to say thank you. The lad starts after him with a revolver from the office desk in his hand and by a short route intercepts him on 3rd Street and holding the gun dangerously near asks him to shed the coat. While held at bay, the business men take a hand and bring him before Squire Boehner who gives him twenty days at hard labor and Sherriff Farrell makes them memorable days for Mr. Riley.

Mr. W. B. Smith, a resident and business man of Malvern since 1876, dies today, January 17, and his body is taken to Lansing, Iowa, his old home, for burial.

G. T. Donner receives his commission as post master.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Boehner their daughter, Miss Clara and Mr. J. E. Garrigues are pronounced wife and husband.

Mr. J. Chenoweth and family sell home and business and move to Leadville, Colo.

Harry Leland not long ago a well liked young man in Maivern is killed in a railroad accident at Sabula, Iowa, leaving his wife a widow after only two weeks of married life.

Dr. Cleaver a short time ago went to his old home in Canada, seeking health, dies there and the body is brought to Tabor for burial that being the home before coming to Malvern.

Some young people wed: Hugh Smith and Viola Thompson; H. Richmond and Ida Barnett.

It is not long since friends were merry at the wedding of Miss Lottie Buell to Mr. Geo. W. Gray and said good bye to them as they went to their new home at Lake City, Iowa. Word comes to day that George is dead from that dreaded scourge Small Pox.

Dr. and Mrs. Campbell are testing Colorado climate for a home.

Robt. Aiton our early history maker has secured a government position in the patent office at Washington.

Geo. Wetmore buys out the business of Geo. W. Bates. Mr. Bates is now selling sunshine and climate in Los Angeles, Calif.

Bonham & Hammond are nursery stock men and gardeners in Peaceville suburbs.

Mrs. Thomas Kayton in the country finds three ten cent pieces in a chicken's gizzard. Our new wide awake newspaper men, at once advertize that they will take chickens on subscription for the Republican Leader.

Dr. and Mrs. Roberts start to day for Colorado, hoping a change may be beneficial to the doctor. With all his own knowledge of human ailments and noted skill of others in his profession, they do not seem to be able to check the malady.

Frank Dixon is a new Clerk at Paddock's Store. Rev. McAfee is pastor of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Fred Zanders returns to town from the farm and is building a fine home on Boundary Street.

Mr. F. C. Thompson buys Rhea Donner's property on 4th Street for use as a carriage factory.

Mr. D. M. Whitfield a valued friend of Malvern moves from the farm and purchases a fine home in town.

Dr. Gummege, our dentist, lays down his forceps and goes into the cattle business in Nebraska. Mr. French sells the livery business to Mr. Hiser.

June 27, 1882. The State of Iowa voted on prohibition of the liquor traffic, our town record was 128 for and 54 against. From the incorporation of the town to the passage of the law there was a continual conflict

between the drys and wets. When the will of the people of the State was expressed it helped those who wavered to get down on the right side and frustrate attempts to take advantage of the mulct law amendment afterward passed. A little company of citizens had been banded together, for some time, as a watch on the aggressions of the saloon influence, to whom the saloon keeper had given the name of Gideons Band. Tim Manahan the brightest and cleanest of his class, was the owner of the saloon business when the law went into effect, and a committee from Gideons Band waited on him at his place of business on 1st Avenue for terms of surrender. At his request he was given thirty days to close his business, at the end of the time, he promptly closed his doors. With the Lord's help Gideons Band had again conquered. A Gideons Band could render very efficient service yet in our old town as an aid to the fighting forces.

- Mr. J. K. DeWolfe has been away for a while, returns and buys John Shuman's meat market and gets busy.
- Mr. C. C. Baird Senior and family come to Malvern for home and business. He buys out the late business and property interests of F. P. Spencer.
 - Mr. J. M. Strahan's fine new home is completed and ready for occupants. Dr. Dearing is associated with Dr. Brothers in his profession.

A marriage coremony at the home of Mrs. Ringland who gives her daughter Eva into the care of Mr. E.C. Smith.

The post office is raised to the third class.

Late real estate changes are M. J. Higgins buys the Bates home, Major Barnes the D. H. Thompson property and Geo. Wetmore is building a home. H. C. Palmer is a new dry goods merchant.

Site was chosen for the Creamery buildings on east side of 1st Avenue down near the fair grounds and ready for education of the people to its benefits. A mistake was that was the part that should have been built first. Cream routes were established for gathering the cream which was a forerunner of the routes of the present rural free delivery mail system.

The M. E. Church built a parsonage for their pastor.

Newt Jacobs opens up ice cream parlor and candy store on Third Street. Mr. J. A. Parrish is the pump and wind mill man.

Mr. John Barrett was a resident of the county before the town started and is now our resident stock buyer and quite successful in his business although he had no gift as a talker. On one of his trips to St. Louis John bought a parrott, a bird of beautiful colorings and a fluent talker and his explanation of the purchase was that he needed help to properly keep up conversation with Mrs. Barrett.

R. A. Baird the lumberman buys the Cleaver home on Douglas Street. The families of J. T. Ward and Geo. Keffer are added to the population of the town.

Michael Cunningham completes his fine new home on Marion Avenue.

J. H. Howe, a good citizen of Winterset, Iowa, moves to Malvern and joins the ranks of business men.

The interests of the town and the country are oft times so interwoven that we will have to step over the border line for record of some few events. News came to town this morning, by special carrier, not by phone, that Charles A. Donner was dead. The news was true, in a moment of lost control of reason he had taken his own life. It was a sad and pathetic scene in the country home that sabbath morning, with the wife and children so stricken with the tragedy and the loss. The Donner name has been quite a factor in the business and the history of town and community. The father, mother, seven stalwart sons and one daughter was the family in 1869, all under the home roof or in near by homes of their own. At this writing all of this family have closed life's labors.

Geo. Parmeter is the new harness dealer and repairer.

Mr. Geo. F. Mellen of Fall River, Mass., a promoter of big interests, comes upon the stage of action and presents the project of establishing a pork packing plant in Malvern. Our well to do citizens and neighbors after investigation of the workings of two other plants lately built in the state, thought it was feasible and a winner and took hold of the matter in earnest. A good bonus was given and stock taken sufficient to establish and run a \$55,000 plant. Work was commenced and pushed with vigor and the building complete and in running order, November 15, 1882. Mr. Mellen failing to materialize in the great assistance he was to be, was early in the work returned to the east to carry out other achievments of his fertile brain.

J. G. McGregor our artist is a fishing sportsman and partial to frogs for bait. He failed this morning to catch any, and he offers two lads ten cents a dozen for all they would get for him. The boys return later to the office with a fine catch of ten dozen, Mac pays over the one dollar smilingly and tells them all bids are off on frogs.

Announcement of the death of Mrs. S. C. Hunter in the paper, October 5th, 1882. Sorrow and grief are the attendents of most every death, but the incident of the passing of this one was sad indeed. Mr. Hunter was away from home and could not be located. Her mother came as a guest to the home four hours after her death, anticipating in thought while on the way the joy and pleasure of the visit, having no intimation of the sorrow that was to come to her, instead of joy and gladness. Unable to keep the body longer, it was laid away in the grave before Mr. Hunter's return. He had left his wife and little ones, but a few days before in good health and life, and now he returns, no wife to greet him, and denied even the seeing of her lifeless form.

Two additions to the population of our town—a son at the home of Denny McHugh and a daughter left with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hawkins. History has failed to register all the little ones that have come to see us. It may be best however that the pedigree of human life be left until the great official record has been written at the close of each.

There was quite a little city of the dead gathered in the Aurora Cemetery before the town site of Milton was platted and now more room is needed. For legal transaction of business and management articles of incorporation were drawn August 26th, 1882, in the name of Malvern Cemetery Association and the following officers elected: H. W. Summers, J. M. Johnson and J. D. Paddock Trustees, and H. A. Norton Treasurer. Seven and a half acres of land was bought of W. F. Raines at \$75.00 per acre, surveyed and platted. New fences were built and other improvements adding much to the beauty of the grounds.

Sunday morning, February 18, 1882, Postmaster Donner finds the office robbed of five hundred dollars value in stamps and a small amount of money, with no foot or finger print clue of the robbers.

Rev. G. W. Robey succeeds Rev. Rhodes as pastor of Baptist church.

J. C. Herbert, the pioneer shoe man and his family go to Blue Springs, Neb. Tippecanoe Wilson, Tip for short, removes to Carson. I. C. Bonham a valued helper at the Pioneer Store leaves for a more lucrative position at Council Bluffs.

Bonds are voted by the town for civic improvements, a City Hall and Jail.

McCurdy & Son are new men in the harness business.

J. E. Skadan moves his business from First Avenue around on Center Street and digs a well from which the clear waters have quenched the thirst of many visitors since.

Out of the old and into the new—Paddock and Co.'s new store building is completed and they move in and take possession January 14, 1882.

Rev. Edmunds pastor of the M. E. Church dies, one of God's workers taken.

Neiman and McClune are inside wall builders. Miss Justice and Mrs. Madison Dress makers. R. A. Baird buys out F. C. Harris & Co. and is the owner of the two yards.

A Post of The Grand Army of the Republic is organized of the soldiers of the Civil War, 47 of them in the organization, representing all branches of the service that had gathered here since the hush of peace in 1865. Officers were elected, C. W. Black, Post Commander; T. M. Britt, S. V. Com.; John Ryerson, Jun. V. C.; A. J. Chantry, Adgt.; C. H. Paddock, Q. M.; G. W. Curfman, Surgeon; James H. Wing, Chaplain; H. H. Woodrow, O. D.; James S. Criswell, O. G.; W. K. Follett, Seargent Major; J. M. Johnson, Q. M. S; and the name Milton Summers Post was adopted in honor of Lieut. Milton Summers, a comrade who had died from wounds received in a charge made against the enemy on a southern battlefield.

Robert Knight, the bridge builder is kept busy replacing washed out bridges.

Father Parmeter is stricken with appoplexy and life soon goes from the old tenement of clay.

Mr. R. E. K. Mellor and Miss Maggie Ringland take upon themselves the obligations of married life.

One of the startling tragedies that takes us out over the border line is the murder of old Mr. J. M. Shelby during the night of December 29, 1883, in his little home and business place near Pleasant Valley school house. The townspeople knew the quiet old man when he came to town and expressed an earnest abhorrence of such a deed. The murderer was later taken, convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment. He is yet in prison, notwithstanding strenuous efforts for his pardon.

Uncle Sam will carry a letter for us to day October 4th, 1883, for two cents, yesterday he charged us three.

Mr. Frank Goodwin is busy to day talking to his wife over his phone line between the store and home.

Mr. David Duncan and family take up their residence in Malvern.

E. B. Parrish who has been a maker of history in Malvern dies in Dakota, his new home.

Frank Williams builds a home in the north west part of town.

C. E. Dinwiddie is a first class painter and paper hanger.

Market quotations June 1883: Corn 35c, Wheat 78c, Oats 28c, Rye 40c, Potatoes 35c, Butter 12c to 14c, Eggs 11c, Lard 12½c Bacon 12½c.

Base Ball team organized with E B. Brown, President; R. S. Padget, Vice President; Dr. W. H. Dearing, Secretary; Dr. Howard Brothers, Captain; Chan. C. Baird, Scorer.

Mr. Chester Berkhimer and Miss Mary Oney are joined in wedlock at the Paddock home.

Mr. M. T. Davis comes from business at Shenandoah and he buys the home of J. E. Garrigues, who is leaving us for a new home at Greely, Col. Mr. Davis improves his property and we thought they were going to stay with us, but it was not long until they take to the farm.

Mr. Joe Deardorff and family come this way from Pennsylvania and buy a plat of ground and builds a home in the suburbs of town. A little later they come across the border line and have been helping us to make things go in town.

The subject of conversation to day, November 22, is the miraculous escape of the little heroine, Lillian Chantry, who was caught on the trestle bridge of the wabash south east of town, in going to her home from school. Seeing she could not get off she crawled to the outer edge of the timbers. The little space to cling to did not give room and the fender roughly brushed her head as the engine rushed past. Thinking that danger had passed she raised her head a little when the step of the last car struck her a blow, knocking her off the bridge down to the creek bank

below and to the mud and water lower. Cut, bruised and frightened, she still retained her consciousness, and held to a bush, keeping herself from the deeper water. The train was stopped and the train crew rushed to the rescue of the brave little lass. She was taken on the train into town to Mr. and Mrs. Garman's home. The doctor could not discover any serious injury and the next day she was taken to her home.

The First National Bank block of buildings on First Avenue complete and occupants moving in: First National Bank on corner, Geo. McCabe, Hardware; H. E. Schaeffer, Furniture and J. H. Love & Son, General Store.

Mr. G. A. Rogers buys out Groendykes Shop and the home of Prof. Moore and Mrs. Buell buys the I. C. Bonham home.

Dr. Curfman sells his home to J. T. Ward, gives up his lucrative practice and moves to western Nebraska, seeking climate favorable to Mrs. Curfman's health.

John Robrahn is a maker of men's new suits when the old ones cannot be renewed.

Mrs. W. L. Edmunds publishes a card of thanks to the many friends in town and country who have made her the gift of a little home.

The wholesale houses of St. Louis desirous of more trade with the business men on the line of the Wabash in Iowa extended them a special invitation with inducements to visit them. A goodly number gathered from the different towns and the visit was made and all are pleased with the trip. St. Louis has not been successful in winning but little of the more northern trade.

Another out of town record to make—The death by his own hand of the well known and respected citizen Mr. Valentine Plumb of Anderson township.

Dr. Brothers as representative from the county to the State Legislature leaves his patients in the care of Dr Dearing and his son Howard while away.

The telephone builders have reached the west limits of the town, August 16th, 1883.

The working force at the packing house are Charles Cottrell, Superintendent; John Each, Assistant; C. A. Day, Cooperage; Ed VanDoren, Engineer; Joe Deardorff, Fireman. The opening of the packing plant called for men of that experience to manage its affairs. For this purpose, Mr. Cottrell with his family came to Malvern, where the years passed and the younger children as students in the school and as helpers in the home and business grew to womanhood and became the wives and homekeepers of some of our best young men. Some move we make to day perhaps, may decide the direction of our future lives and of those about us.

October, 1883, L. W. Boehner & Co. move into their fine new brick store building on Third Street and Third Avenue.

The teachers institute have a gathering at Malvern. A social reception is tendered them by our corps of teachers, Prof. Ebaugh, Miss Myra Bishop, Mrs. F. A. Marsh, Miss Lela C. Mitchell, Miss Emma Willey and the citizens of the town. A pleasing program and an enjoyable time.

A new arrival in town, December 8th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Paddock, a boy. He is in a fair way yet to have a good pedigree record at the end of the journey.

Jack Shere of Silver City comes down and takes Sarah from the Kelsey home to his own.

We failed to make record in the early part of the year of some of our good citizens moving away from Malvern. Ed Hipwell goes to Red Oak, Eli Crane and wife to the north western part of the state and several pilgrims to the Dakotas for homestead claims, J. Chenoweth, Arthur Brown, John Barton and J. G. McGregor. Some few come in, Thomas Paul, wife and daughter come in from the farm, John and Wilbur Foulks come from Chariton and start business of Farm Machinery and Hardware under the name of Foulks Bros. Rev. St. Clair comes to take the vacant pulpit at the M. E. Church.

January 31, 1884, Dr. Roberts dies at Colorado Springs, Colo, an early and active citizen of Malvern from 1870 to 1879. His body was brought to Red Oak and buried from his father's residence. Mrs. Roberts and children return to Malvern, their early home.

The Packing House is a great place for business these days, in killing, curing and shipping the products of the plant. The fall season from October 19, 1883 to January 31, 1884, three and a half months, cash paid out for hogs alone \$212,000. The shipments out 112 car loads, and nearly as many more cars will be needed to close out the products of the plant yet on hand. A good reputation for quality of goods already established.

Wm. Boney gives up his position at the Pioneer Store and is going to farm some Mills County land.

Pierce Metz, the efficient manager of the business of J. H. Love & Son moves to Greenfield, Iowa, to be manager for himself, 1884.

Harris & McCabe are dealers in farm machinery.

Our citizen, W. M. Moore is elected to the office of County Superintendent of Schools and J. L. Talbott is appointed by Sheriff Farrell as Deputy.

C. E. Dinwiddie lays down his paint brush and paper hanging tools and is proprietor of a Variety Store.

H. L. Marsh is Principle of School. Father Ryan is pastor of the Catholic Church.

Young John Christopher takes a position as a helper at the new hardware store of Keffer & Co.

Thomas Paul buys the fine home property of R. J. Brown.

The Malvern Creamery is making about 200 pounds of butter a day, Swain & Wilson, managers.

April 13, 1862, Mrs. Evans, later a resident of Des Moines, Iowa, who was then living in Washington, and the wife and two daughters of Chaplain May of the Second Michigan Regiment, decorated many of the soldiers graves at Arlington Heights. Congress took notice of this repeated action a few years, and made the ceremony national by making the day set, May 30th a legal holiday. In commemoration of the day our citizens, army comrades and young people take part to day, May 30th, 1884, in strewing flowers on the graves of the soldier dead and on the graves of dear friends resting in the silent city.

Valentine Stang is our doctor of decrepit shoes.

Quite an extensive business is being done at The Malvern Carriage Factory, the names of purchasers are being weekly recorded. At the present writing it is Automobiles. Will it be in 1940, air ships instead?

Our business man Walter Larison wants a home as well as a business and he finds a wife, Miss Laura Summers and they commence the journey May 29th, 1884, and go to housekeeping on 3rd Avenue.

Grandmother Raines, a pioneer of 1856, celebrates her 84th birthday at the home of her son, A W. Raines.

Lillie Barnet dies, a young womanly life goes out.

A pleasant gathering of the graduating class of '82 of the Western Normal and intimate friends, at the home of Dr. Brothers, July 7th, 1884.

A new industry in Malvern, Mrs. L. T. Buell and daughter, Mrs. Lottie Gray have fitted up three rooms above in their business building and are keeping three boys busy gathering osage leaves to feed to the young and ravenous growing silk worms that they have. When grown they commence weaving about themselves a silk fiber web that when finished is about the size of a peanut and is called a cacoon, from which they will realize a good price per pound. This interesting formula at Mrs. Buells is the foundation of the great silk industry of the world.

D. E. Whitfield recently graduated from the Iowa State University has settled down for business at Atwood, Rawlins County, Kansas.

Market quotations, August 13, 1884: Corn, new, 28c, Wheat 45c, Oats 20c, Rye 40c, Potatoes 30c, Apples 45c, Eggs 10c, Choice Butter 15c, Lard 10c, Bacon 10c.

Miss Eva Copeland, daughter of Hon. W. H. Copeland of Vermillion, Dakota, is visiting in Malvern. The Hon. W. H. C. is our Billy Copeland of the early days.

Mr. Fred Davis, the survivor of the Wabash wreck at St. Charles, takes his first trip on the road since that event, with some stock. The stock part of the train goes down through a small bridge and the stock killed, but the caboose car this time remains on the track.

Mr. Alvin Robey is Assistant Post Master.

J. Degenhart buys the harness business of H. T. Richmond and a company is formed to manufacture the patent horse collar lately invented by Mr. Richmond.

Mabel Robey celebrates her 8th birthday by the presence at her parents home of her school mates and play companions: Flo Cottrell, Ella Cottrell, Helen Hunter, Nellie Angel, Susie Schaffer, Lillie Chantry, Stella Smith, Miggie Keffer, Sophia Retelsdorf, Carrie Wills, Nellie Churchill, Sadie Paddock, Minnie Dalton and Mamie Donner.

Robt. Padget, an efficient helper and citizen for several years sells out his home and embarks in the mercantile business in Nebraska.

The standard bearers of the two great political parties of the day, Blaine and Cleveland, are before the people for their suffrage, and politics is the great absorbing theme of the days in our little burg. The safety and stability of the nation depends upon our side winning, and the perspiration is increasing as the time draws nigh for the contest at the polls. The work is done, Cleveland is the winner and Blaine the loser. So engrossed with the business and pleasures of life, are we not losing our patriotic grip on the politics of the present day?

In the presence of a loyal gathering of people at the Opera House, the evening of December 23, 1884, "Old Glory," a large silk banner with gold fringe and tassels, walnut staff and gold bronzed Eagle tip, was presented to Milton Summers Post, Grand Army of the Republic, by J. N., W. G. and H. W. Summers, three brothers of Milton Summers, and his daughter, Mrs. I. J. Swain. We give entire as it was given, Mrs. Swain's words of presentation and Commander James H. Wing's acceptance response.

"Gentlemen of the Milton Summers Post: A score of years and more have passed since duty called you to leave your plows and work-shops and friends, and don your coats of blue, shoulder your guns, and with heavy hearts march to the scenes of battle. Sad were the partings given; many were the 'God bless you, my boy.' and many were the hardships you endured, but glorious was the result of your sacrifice. And when your work on the battlefield was done and your faces were homeward turned, there was but one thing to mar your happiness. Many of you left friends and comrades on Southern soil, and of them be it said, 'Well done, they have gained the highest honor ever paid to mortal man,—they died for their country.' And now, thanking you for the honor you have paid to one who gave his life for his country, we, his brothers and daughter, present the Milton Summers Post with this flag, hoping you will ever stand ready to defend its stripes and stars, and that long and proudly 'may she wave o'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.'"

"With pleasure I receive this flag, and in the name of the comrades of Milton Summers Post, I earnestly thank you for the honor shown us in its presentation; and we esteem it an especial pleasure to receive it from the daughter of the hero for whom our Post is named. To myself and comrades this starry banner is like the Sun to the Persian; the Crescent to the followers of Mohammed; or, even the Cross to the Christian,—an emblem of all in the present or in the future that is worth preserving, worth living for, worth striving after, and for which heroes will cheerfully sacrifice all and will even pour out their life's dearest blood. Far-reaching and indeed sublime is the faith of the hero soldier, and on the honor and faith of such we accept this emblem, and promise ever to cherish and protect the sacred ideal that this banner represents."

This bit of a history sketch is the more interesting at this writing when the counterpart of this flag is to be held aloft on the historic ground of the old world in our own defense and the defense of mankind from the power and tyranny of militarism and kingly power.

A last chance party is given by Jessie and Frankie Duncan. It is leap year 1884, and nearing its close. The young ladies invite the timid young men in and make the most of their leap year privileges.

City, Church and Lodge directory for 1885. Wm. Black Mayor, Walter Larison Recorder, L. W. Boehner Treasurer, J. E. Skadan Assessor, Wm. Donner, Geo. McCabe, M. J. Higgins, James Churchill, J. T. Ward, J. T. Brohard Councilmen, J. L. Talbott street Commissioner and Marshall. Masonic Lodge: M. J. Curtis, W. M.; G. E. Wetmore, Secretary. I. O. of O. F.: J. D. Graves, N. G.; Denny McHugh, Secretary. Churches: W. V. Jeffries, Presbyterian; G. W. Robey, Baptist; J. F. St. Clair, M. E. church. G. A. R. Post, A. J. Chantry, P. C.; R. L. Gidley, Adgt.

The Abbott Bros. start a broom factory.

The Bridges Bros. have the picture gallery from McGregor for a while and turn the business over to Mr. S. E. Dearborn.

Rankin succeeds Munson in the brick factory. Dr. H. H. Smith is our new tooth puller. J. T. Ward runs the Q. and P. M Campbell does the same with the Wabash.

The white plague takes the life of young Mrs. John Barton.

Mr. Major Barnes and wife are in Kansas where they can see the sunflowers grow.

J. R. Hubbard and family come from Illinois to make Iowa their home.
Will Black and Paul Evans are students at Parsons College. Dave
Layton is resident auctioneer of sales.

The partnership of McCabe and Mellor hardware firm is dissolved and Mr. Mellor continues the business.

June 18, 1885, Roose and Wainwright take over the lumber business of R. A. Baird who is forced to give up on account of his health. Mr. Baird is an extra good type of a business man, and it is with regret that his many friends see him leave.

R. S. Padget for many years the efficient and valued helper at the Pioneer Store goes to western Nebraska and starts in business for himself.

Mrs. Frances S. Strahan after a long affliction and patient waiting for the end, the heart today, September 3, 1885, ceases to beat.

The Bridges Bros. give a concert at the Opera House and old acquaintences and their late school companions are pleased at their success in their chosen work.

The Central House is leased to Don Roland and renamed 'The Hawsbrook.' It is a fine name, it will season the hash and make it taste better. Burglars visit the hardware store of McCabe & Co. and take an inventory of stock, make some choice selections of knives, razors and other fine goods. Later they were caught and paid the penalty.

An unique character comes occasionally to see us, James Ballard who styles himself, the Red Oak poet. He rode into town today and gave recitations and song from the sidewalk, some of his own production in prose and poetry. Some of the boys induced him to remain and give an evening entertainment. They obtained the use of the upper story of the carriage factory and advertized for a crowd. A good sized audience greeted him with such hearty voice in appreciation of his efforts that he did his very best. The hat was passed at the close for a free will offering. Sixty three cents in good money, a few dozen buttons, screws and marbles was the harvest. He enjoyed the attention given him, and the boys could only be pardoned for their fun because of the pleasure it gave to Mr. Ballard.

Will Mitchener who has been a helper at Boehner's Store resigns his position and Charlie Barnett takes his place.

G. D. Keffer & Co. sell their business to M. J. Curtis but Mr. Keffer stays as manager. 1885 is a cold winter. Mrs. Martha Black the wife of our townsman, Wm. Black dies, a noble, christian woman.

It is but a little while since little Eddie Campbell died and now the mother, the wife of P. M. Campbell is taken by death.

C. H. Paddock, on account of the growing affliction of Asthma moves to western Nebraska, hoping the climate will afford him relief.

John Dull, a newcomer is building a home in the north west part of town.

Ed B. Brown ships a good hardware stock to Cortland, Nebr., and opens up for business. Geo. McCabe stays in Malvern buying interest in hardware store of M. J. Curtis.

It is Nellie Churchill's 8th birthday and some of her schoolmates surprise her, and have a jolly time. Those present Lillie Chantry, Carrie Wills, Mollie Harris, Midgie Keffer, Susie Schaffer, Flo Cottrell, Sophie Retelsdorf, Helen Hunt and May Churchill.

There are cases of small pox in the Strahan neighborhood and the town quarantines against them for thirty days.

Thomas Madigan, the section boss of the Wabash and Mrs. Taylor are quietly married.

By tunneling under the wall and floor, burglars get into the Farmers & Traders Bank and make the attempt to open the safe but fail and nothing of value taken.

J. F. Christopher buys a home. Lewis O. Place and family move to Des Moines, Iowa, where A. D. Place, his brother now resides.

During the stay with us as a teacher in the school two years ago an acquaintance was formed that culminates in the marriage today August 18, 1885, at the home of G. W. F. Willey at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, of his daughter Miss Emma S. Willey to Mr. A. L. Young of Malvern. Mr. Willey and his daughter Miss Ida Willey soon follow and become residents of Malvern.

J. W. Hollins is our baker. Jame Churchill in addition to other business has a wood, coal and feed yard. A grain elevator is being built on the Wabash road.

Mr. Lute Robbins, the owner of the Judkins House hotel property has been making some improvements and leases it to Frank Wilkinson.

At the Myers home, John Hammon and Minnie Myers are married, November 26, 1885.

- E. B. Brown of The Leader who has been elected as County Auditor, transfers his interests to S. C. Hunter & Co. and takes up his work at Glenwood.
- J. F. Evans of Council Bluffs rents the Packing House for the season; M. J. Curtiss, Manager and C. C. Cottrell, Sr., Supt. of work.

Jess Heiner and his old team of mules are doing their part in the work of the day.

Peter Smith is owner and landlord of the Malvern House and the public gave it the name Uncle Peters Hotel.

Malvern people as a part of the Nation, mourn with others the death of Ulysses S. Grant, July 23, 1885.

Our citizen, Joseph Jacqua is a wor veteran, having served fourteen years in the U. S. service.

The public school opens up today, August 31, 1885. Prof. W. M. Ireland, Principal; Miss Etta Brown, Mrs. F. A. Marsh, Miss Barbara Molesworth, Miss Anna Jordan, assistants; the primary grades in the building on site of present school building and the higher grades in former Normal school building.

Dr. J. R. Scott of Des Moines. Iowa, is pleased with the outlook and becomes a resident of Malvern. Dr. Eddy leaves Malvern and locates at Burnett, Nebr.

Denny McHugh buys the Mrs. Moss property on west 4th Street.

The youngsters are celebrating their birthdays. Georgie Robey's 12th birthday, her friends Libbie Dull, May Paul, Jennie Brohard, Lillie Smith, Stella Page, Blanche Roberts, Cozie Curtis, Bessie Larison, Nellie Boehner, Fannie McCabe and Susie Schaffer come to help her celebrate the event.

New Year's Day, 1886, a number of our young men formed themselves into an umbrella brigade, for the object as expressed in the following verse:

"We in compliance
With our alliance
Assert in this production
This association, is a combination
For provender destruction."

And each one, with an umbrella and a free lunch appetite, started out for the visits and the eats. They lightened the larder at about forty homes, before their hunger was appeased. The members engaged in this riotous raid were J. R| Foulks, Dr. Scott, Dr. Smith, J. W. Foulks, F. A. Paddock, J. F. Smith, Wm. Evans, John Larison, A G. Robey, Frank Bentley, J. H. Byerly and H. J. Baird.

Rev. Merwin and family move to Tabor for the benefits of the college. Mr. A. E. Cook and wife choose Malvern as their abiding place.

The Cantata of the Mikado will be rendered on the stage at The Opera House to night by the following cast of high class talent:

DRAMATIS PERSONÆ

Mikado of Japan Prof. W. M. Moore
Nanki Poo (his son, a wandering Minstrel in love with Yum Yum)
Mr. W. W. Fisher
Ko Ko (Lord High Executioner of Titipu)Mr. W. D. Townsend
Pooh Bah (Lord High Everything Else)Mr. J. R. Foulks
Pish Tush (a Noble Lord)Mr. A. M. Brown
Nee Ban Mr. Paul Evans
Yum YumMattie J. Marsh
Petti Sing Miss Ollie Taft
Peep Bo Miss Emily Cottrell
(3 sisters, wards of Ko Ko)

Katisha (an elderly lady, in love with Nanki Poo)_____Mrs. A. E. Cook With Chorus of Girls, Guards and Nobles.

All will appear in full Japanese costume, and the stage and scenery will be arranged especially for this occasion.

Produced under management of Prof. W. D. Townsend.

Musical Director, Prof. S. E. Dearborn. Miss Edith M. Evans, Pianist. General admission, 25c; Reserved seats, 35c; Children, 15c. Commence at 8:30 sharp.

Mr. Eshelmen rents the north room in the bank block for a Clothing Store Stock.

I. O. O. F. officers installed: O. H. Snyder N. G., John Knight V. G., W. M. Moore R. S., Wm. Wortz P. S., R. D. Hammond Treasurer, J. A. McCurdy Chaplain.

Terrible snow and wind storms are blocking team and railroad travel. Market prices, January 13th, 1886: New Corn 20c, old 26c; Wheat 50c and 60c, Oats 20c, Rye 35c, Potatoes 35c, Eggs 17c, Butter 15c, Lard 8c, Bacon 8c, Hogs \$3.00, Cattle \$3.50 to \$4.00, Butcher Stock \$2.50.

M. J. Curtis retires from the hardware business and the new firm is Mc Cabe & Co. Dr. Robert McNutt is a new comer.

Mrs. Buell trades building and stock to Tom Lough for his farm in Nebraska, and Mrs. Lough is business manager of millinery store.

Wm. M. Evans is starting in the banking business at Randolph.

Alvin Robey, our assistant Post Master is appointed as Railway Postal Clerk on route between Council Bluffs and St. Paul and his sister Miss Nettie takes his place. Irvin Skadan is implement wrestler at his father's store.

Edwin M. Benson, after an illness of several months, dies at the home of his sister Mrs. J. K. DeWolf.

March, 1886. Prof. Jarboe and his helpers, Denny McHugh, E. E. Bushnell, A. Wilkenson, Charles Hayes, G. A. Bushnell, John Knight, Ben Hawkins, E. E. Daugherty are making it pleasant for us with their sweet notes of melody.

Some one to lead, led others to follow, from Henry County, Iowa, and we have a goodly number in Malvern from that locality. In June, 1886, the Henry County clans gathered on the lawn at the home of O. H. Snyder, who was the patriarch of the bunch, it having been his birthplace. There were present, as representatives, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Evans, Edith and Paul Evans, A. L. Young and wife, Prof. Willey, John Eshelman, A. E. Cook and wife, H. H. Smith and W. W. Fisher. Dr. Scott and Mrs. Anna Goodwin reported absent. After refreshments they enjoyed themselves in recalling reminiscences of the fatherland, listening to music of the band and in eating up all of Snyder's cherries.

J. H. Hershey and wife of North Platte, Nebr., are visiting at the home of Al Hershey, his brother. Mr. Harry Hershey was one of that trio of young men who came to Malvern in an early day and Mrs. Hershey was Florence McCrary of the McCrary home in Malvern and our first assistant teacher on the opening of our public school.

P. M. Campbell and Miss Minnie Neiman agree to travel life's pathway

together. Mr. M. E. Boehner fixes up one of his buildings and goes into the mercantile business. The packing Co. shipped 200,000 lbs. of meat to St. Louis last Friday. A new Clerk, Mr. Howard Dearborn at the Drug Store of Munger & Goodwin.

Charlie Holmes takes Charlie Barnet's position at Boehner's. Dr. W. H. Otis of Elmo, Mo., and family move to Malvern with the highest recommendation to us from the Elmo people. Abbott Bros. add to their broom business the manufacture of broom handles. Geo. Mellor is our Jewelry Store man.

The young people are mating up like robins in the spring time: D. E. Whitfield, Miss Lillie M. Brothers; John Byerly, Miss Ida Mitchener; F. A. Paddock, Miss May Cleaver; Henry Mills, Miss Mary Holmes; Dr. J. R. Scott, Miss Ida M. Willey; all have permitted the minister to tie the tie that binds the lovers knot and have assumed the sacred obligations of a married life.

J. H. Minnich is elected Principal of our schools. J. A. Waggoner is the new agent at the Q. R. L. Gidley receives his appointment as Postmaster. Our soldier citizens and friends are to day in attendance at the reunion at Creston, Iowa. General Phil Sheridan meets with them, and is the center of interest, some of the boys were under his command during the days of strife.

The young life of Dolly Bentley goes out, the summons come to young as well as old. Rev. W. O. Allen succeeds J. F. St. Clair after his three year pastorate at the M. E. Church..

Mrs. Harriet E. Smith, the mother of Wm., Jesse and Nobe Smith dies today, April 13th, 1886, and the remains taken to Lansing, Iowa, where they will rest beside her husband. Mrs. Martha M. Duncan, mother of Jessie and Frankie Duncan dies September 17th.

About twenty of our young musical people are associated together as the Monday Night Club. Mr. L. P. Anderson comes in horseback to Sunday evening church service and some stranger borrows his horse and forgets to return it.

In enfeebled health, Rev. G. W. Robey has to bid farewell to his people as pastor and gets away to Tampa, his new home in the sunny land of Florida.

Thanksgiving day service at the church, and family and friendly gatherings, around the spread out dining tables in many homes.

Our packing house has had to close its doors to business, and the citizens of the town are feeling it as a personal loss. The rapid building up of South Omaha at about the same time, the immense amount of capital invested in their plants and being the terminal of so many roads, they possess advantages our people cannot compete with.

John O'Grady is the faithful watchman at the Q and Wabash crossing. News came up the street this morning that while swinging the gate for the Wabash he had broken his leg. Sympathy was aroused for Mr. O'Grady until we learned the particulars. John had two legs, but one of them was a cork leg and it was the cork leg that was broken. The blacksmith and the shoemaker soon made it as good as new.

Geo. Wetmore sells his restaurant to Chester Berkhimer. J. B. Rose of Villisca takes charge of the creamery business. Rev. Geo. H. Brown is pastor of the Baptist Church.

Not absent a day from his work at the shop of J. K. DeWolf for three years, George Rockafellow takes a vacation. (To be continued next week.)

Early in the evening of January 19th, 1887, the dreaded cry of fire, fire, came ringing up first avenue, and business men rushed from their business and people from their homes to the scene. Fire had broken out in one of six frame buildings in what was called Norris Block and the fire spread quickly in both directions and soon was a sheet of flame. organization of faithful fire boys was not in existence and the fire seemed to laugh at the feeble efforts of the bucket brigade in trying to quench it. It was evident that the entire row of buildings was doomed to destruction and all hands turned to save the buildings across the street, that the intense heat was now scorching the stores of Munger and Goodwin and Alexander and crumbling the thick plate glass of L. W. Boehner and Co.'s fine brick store building. In the frame row, there were only two business places, McCabe & Co. Hardware and M. E. Boehner Groceries, the upper rooms being partly occupied as sleeping rooms and residence apartments. Mr. Douglas and family lived in the Glynn building and the sick and helpless mother was hurriedly carried from the bed to safety. Little comparitively was saved from the homes and sleeping rooms. Faithful watches on top and about the buildings across the street were kept busy to quench the flying firebrands. To these toilers with the water buckets was due the saving of an immense value of other property. No insurance on buildings destroyed owned by Wm. Norris, John Glynn, Hayes Bros., M. E. Boehner and James Churchill. Loss on stock of McCabe & Co. and M. E. Boehner nearly made good by insurance.

Note.— The historian has been pleasantly accused a time or two of throwing items in the wrong box. The reader will kindly help, and place them on the calendar in right order of time, and take the narrative of the event as if the error had not been made.

W. W. Fisher is a new business man with a dry goods store. Mr. John Flanagan and E. Witt move in and become citizens of the town. A change in business, it is now Keffer & Wainwright.

P. M. Campbell, the efficient agent of the Wabash accepts a position with the Union Pacific and G. K. Vauhn takes his place.

A suicide of a stranger at the Q Depot, this morning. Letters upon his person gave his name as Jacob Trion, and they indicated that remorse for some crime committed in the past was cause of the act; no clue to the location of any friends. The coroner's orders to bury the body as found, was carried out and in his blood besmeared clothing, in overcoat and rub-

ber boots, his body was consigned to a paupers grave in our cemetery. That it was done in such a manner is a disgraceful bit of history.

Wm. Bennett buys an interest in the Abbott broom factory and they plan to enlarge the business.

The revival meetings conducted by Mrs. Libby at the M. E. Church close with lasting influence for good to many lives. Mr. Allen, the pastor of the church was so pleased with the evangelist that later on he persuaded her to assume the name of Mrs. Allen.

D. W. C. Kline a long time resident of Malvern dies at his home in Maryville, Mo., and has a resting place in the Malvern Cemetery. Jennie Wise Davis dies at the home of James H. Smith.

Two of our young people formerly, so well and favorably known and liked that we go over the line and announce the marriage of Frank Bentley and Miss Nettic Robey, who will be at home at Syracuse, Kansas.

News reaches friends that our former respected business man of Malvern, R. A. Baird is dead at his home at Garden City, Kansas, May 4th, 1887. This morning the life of Richard L. Gidley slowly ebbs away, a good citizen performing faithfully and honestly his part of the guard duty of the town, an early comer, and finding a wife here, Miss Sena Mabee, to whom he was married in 1878.

Prof. Wilbur Davis is this year principal of our school and Laura Bishop, Grace Welch, Marie Butterfield and Florence Cook assistants.

Mrs. Gidley succeeds her husband as postmistress and Alice Brothers is assistant.

A camp of sons of veterans established and named Malvern Hill. M. A. Chantry Captain, J. E. Johnson 1st Lieutenant, L. G. Newman 2nd Lieutenant, R. F. Salyers Orderly Seargt.

Prof. Willey while taking a walk to day up the Wabash, discovers a broken rail in the track near Mr. Boston's. The south bound passenger would soon be due. He places a handkerchief signal on a stick at the break and hurries up the track and waving another; the train is stopped and a terrible accident probably averted.

Our National holiday for 1887 was properly observed and a big and patriotic crowd in attendance. C. W. Black, President of the day; J. K. DeWolf, Marshall with Ed Cleaver and J. T. Ward assistants; Captain C. S. Howard the eloquent orator of the day. The great attraction about dinner time was the roasted ox and the invitation for all to bring their cup and plate for a piece of the big roast and a cup of coffee free of charge.

Dr. H. H. Smith, our dentist lays down his forceps for a few days and takes unto himself a wife, Miss Flo Brothers.

Mr. Onist Larson in the employ of W. M. McCoy has been able to send for wife and son in Denmark and they meet today after three years of separation.

The funeral service of little Edith Barton is being held to day, attracting much interest from her being the victim of ptomaine poison, at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis. Efficient medical service saved the lives of Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Sweetzer and John Barton the father.

Miss Emma Bartlett promises to obey Mr. Fred F. Smith in the marriage vows. Chas. Larison buys the J. W. Bartlett home and Walter Larison sells his to H. T. Richmond.

Mrs. J. H. Meeks dies. Ed Cleaver buys out the meat market of J. K. DeWolf.

The family of M. J. Curtis, so long residents of Malvern leave for Wakeeny, Kansas, and A. H. Landis and family move into town and become owners of the M. T. Davis home.

Colver Boston succeeds Alice Brothers at the post office.

M. E. Boehner after a lingering illness dies to day December 6, 1887. Mr. Boehner was one of the earliest settlers of the town and an honored citizen.

Rev. S. J. McCormick is called to the pastorate of the Baptist Church. Quite an important event in the history of the town is the opening up and occupancy of the new brick block of elegant store rooms just completed by L. W. Boehner & Co., R. E. K. Mellor and R. W. Hyde on first avenue, and also that it is the consumation of the plans of the pioneer movers from the lower town to the higher ground on First Avenue and unites the interests of the whole town for the common good.

W. G. Wagner succeeds his brother J. A. Wagner as Q Agent.

A. J. Chantry is our Representative to the State House.

Mr. Anderson swaps the Central Hotel with a Mr. Parker for Missouri land. Henry Stich has charge of the picture gallery, formerly owned by Mr. Dearborn.

A memorable event in the amusement column was the masquerade party at the O. F. Hall, participated in by all the pleasure loving people of the town, in gay and fanciful costume.

Stone and Belden buy the brick and tile business of O. T. Rankin.

February 20th, 1888, Mrs. I. B. Ringland dies, rather a sudden summons, and the only ones at home were Mrs. Mellor and the son Harvey, Mr. Mellor being in Vermont at the bedside of his sick parents, Mrs. Wilson at Blakeman, Kansas, but did not receive telegram until too late to come; Mrs. Smith and her husband in California. It was a sad home coming to the daughters when they again got together under the roof of their childhood home, with the mother gone. This home was the starting point of the first funeral procession from our little village in 1870, when little Willie, the baby toddler of 17 months, was in the casket for burial.

We are feeling the results of the strike of engineers and firemen on the Q. Freight traffic entirely suspended and mail and passenger trains nearly so.

Mr. Davis brings his plant for publication of the Iowa Leader to Malvern.

Uncle John Williams dies, happy in the thought that he had some treasures, laid up over beyond if not the owner of them here.

Geo. Rockafellow opens up a meat market of his own. J. R. Hubbard buys the dray line of J. L. Talbott.

April 27th, 1888. The first observance of Arbor Day in Malvern, by a pleasing program of exercises and tree planting by the high school students.

H. G. Rising who set the type for Volume 1 Number 1 of the Leader is greeting friends here to day. He is the publisher of a daily paper at Chickamauga, Tenn.

James J. Wilson accepts a position as one of the working force at the First National Bank.

A base ball game is the attraction today, between the lads and their dads, the lads are the winners.

Death closes the eyes of little Nell today, thirteen years the span of her life, the idol of the mother and the pride of many friends old and young. The sympathy of the community goes out to the stricken mother, Mrs. M. M. Angel, as friends lay away in the tomb, the centered affections of her own very life. The husband and the little lad, the son, had aiready been taken, and now the daughter has gone.

A new business firm F. S. Leighty, the corner grocer. Mr. Seeger is improving his mill by putting in machinery for grinding wheat.

Mr. C. H. Withnell of Omaha comes to Malvern for a wife, Miss Alfaretta Cleaver.

As an aid in suppression of intemperance an I. O. G. T. Lodge is organized and officers elected, Thomas Paul, G. H. Roose, Mrs. Kate Keffer, W. H. Dolph, Miss Blanche Roberts, Mrs. Landis, L. G. Marsh and Paul Evans.

Uncle Peter Smith, the landlord of the Malvern House for many years, completes life's journey.

Pet Rickabaugh is seventeen today and a bevy of young friends help

Frank Strahan and Miss Lou Larison, two of our young people marry and start for their new home at Wayne, Nebr. Our bachelor Charlie Dinwiddie concludes to take a partner and weds Mrs. Martha D. Morton of Nebraska City and Albert B. Adams and Addie L. Graves march to the same music. Geo. Salyers and Miss Ella Kayton are united in the holy bonds of marriage.

Miss Josie Wetmore goes to the Woman's Medical College at Chicago to complete her studies as a doctor.

The home of John Hatfield burns this evening with most of the household goods.

A. D. Place a business man of Malvern from 1873 to 1881, dies at his home in Riverside, California.

Robt. Mellor sells out his business to A. J. Kronsbein. Will Evans and Miss Georgie Moore of Red Oak get married and start on their wedding trip.

It is lively times in the old town these days with political rallies and torchlight processions, and martial music. The winner Cleveland in the last battle is now the loser.

- W. H. Abbott, John O'Grady and John Robrahn are stockholders in the Malvern Cigar factory.
- I. J. Swain, in order to be nearer his work sells his nice home in town, to Walter Larison and moves out to the farm. Frank Beam succeeds G. K. Vaughan at the Wabash. James Maguire an employee of the Q at Malvern and Miss Mary L. Cussick are married at Melrose, Iowa.

Land values have advanced some since 1888. Rev. Merwin sells his farm near Lawrence Station to J. W. Barnes for \$22 per acre.

A. J. Chantry purchases the nice home of O. H. Snyder. John Knight and Miss Rose Barnet are married today at the Barnet home.

The Christian Church is completed and dedicated to day December 28, 1888, another temple of worship.

1889. It is now twenty years since the coming of the covered wagon and the first start of the town. The lone building erected out in the weed pasture, has been the nucleus around which has grown many more. The lonesome view and the bright vista of the imagination of better things to come, has been realized. The helpers and business associates, the school and scholars, the churches, fine homes and green grass lawns are all here now.

Knights of Pythias Lodge instituted and officers elected, A. E. Cook. G. D. Keffer, J. P. Munger, W. Larison, W. G. Wagner, W. H. Otis, G. C. Boston, C. E. Holmes, J. R. Hubbard and W. H. Byers.

- W. D. Evans retires from the active duties of The Farmers and Traders Bank, turning the business over to son and daughter, Will and Edith Evans, who are qualified by long experience as helpers to manage its affairs.
- J. Degenhart purchases Thos. Lough's business building and fits it up for his business.
- J. M. Strahan and Mrs. M. W. Guilford are united in marriage at Glenwood by Rev. S. J. McCormick.

The first annual meeting of The Farmers Institute of Mills County is held at Malvern. Town election held and the following officers were elected: H. Barnes Mayor, J T. Ward Recorder, C. F. Goodwin Treasurer, S. Wainwright and J. K. DeWolf councilmen.

Irving Skadan and Miss Jessie Duncan take a joy ride to Red Cak and the Presbyterian minister soon performs the ceremony that makes them husband and wife. W. H. Byers buys the H. Barnes property and starts out on the highway of business life.

Grace and Harry Landis had a gathering at their parents home last Tuesday evening as per list below of youngsters then, but now older grown. There were present Ella, Flo and Katie Cottrell, Susie, Bee and Dell Schaffer, Midgie Keffer, Mabel and Elwood Barrick, Paul and Sophie Retelsdorf, Pearl Mellor, Helen Mather, Mamie Donner, Maud Norton, Ralph Roberts, Frank Higgins, Carrie Wills, Dakin Miller, Frank Goodwin, Will Edmonds, Grant Lewis, Kittie and Robie McCormick, Oscar McCoy, Minnie and Stella Smith, Retta and George Perdue, Anna Harvey, Charlie and Harry Cleaver and Ralph Brothers.

- G. E. Wetmore is erecting a building for his business. Dr. Marsh and J. T. Ward succeed O. H. Snyder as pharmacists.
- R. F. Norton of Kellogg, Iowa, buys an interest in the Creamery and soon has it going in good shape. The price of fat cattle is very low, friends who shipped last week had enough to pay freight and commission and get home alive.
 - C. B. Christy and family become residents of Malvern.
- J.R. Hubbard buys the Bowman property for a home. Mr. T. D. Gibson buys property in the Bank Block, takes off his coat and invites customers to come and see him for groceries.

Fred Lockwood is the new helper at Larison Bros. shop.

April 4th, 1889. A notable social event took place commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of wedded life as per invitation cards sent out giving this announcement: Our Fiftieth Anniversary, Capt. H. E. Boehner and Louisa H. Moir, married at Cowes, Isle of Wight, England, April 4, 1839. Golden Wedding at Malvern, Iowa, Friday, April 4, 1889. Reception, Friday and Saturday, April 4 and 5, from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. No presents. Rev. Mr. Mackey of Council Bluffs, tied the knot anew that had held for fifty years. The relatives at home and from abroad made a goodly company at the ceremony. Throngs of friends attended the reception days and added their hearty congratulations to the young bride and groom.

A new base ball team has been organized: Capt. F. A. Marsh, Catcher W. A. Black, Pitcher W. M. Evans, 1st base Ed. B. Brown, 2nd base John Gainor, 3rd base F. A. Marsh, Short stop H. A. Baird, left field Ed McCurdy, center field C. E. Holmes, right field Harry Dull. The sporting editor of the Leader says: "This club is a good one and ought to be able to mop up the soil with the village clubs round about." These boys are now older grown and business men, scattered abroad striving to catch the balls of prosperity and success, that come flying their way. May they all be successful and honest players in the contests of life.

Roose & Wainwright sell lumber business to Iowa Lumber Co., Mr. G. E. Poyneer Manager. Dr. Otis buys W. E. Bartlette's residence.

Death takes Nettie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dunn and Philip Kryselmier a resident of Malvern since 1879. The Knights of Labor Malvern Lodge officiate at Mr. Kryselmier's funeral service.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bartlett leave us after several years residence here.

An election in favor of a two per cent tax in aid of the Tabor and Northern Railroad carried 98 for, 56 against.

The death toll of two more residents of Malvern, Mr. B. L. Hays and Mrs. John Hatfield.

S. N. Shanks a new comer buys the Shuman property. Mrs. Foster of Hastings purchases the Wilkinson House hotel for \$2000.

The sympathy of the town is aroused in aid of the Johnstown, Penn., flood sufferers and \$122.54 is sent them.

The Misses Mamie and Nellie Boehner are quite popular business women as the lady grocers.

G. C. Seeger trades his little mill property with Peck and Rogers for land.

Church directory: Rev. M. McConnell Christian Church, M. R. Harned M. E. Church, S J. McCormick Baptist Church, W. V. Jeffries Presbyterian Church, Father Cook Catholic Church.

The Perfection End Gate Co. shipped out a car load of their gates to Deere Wells & Co.

Mr. John Dyson is our representative on the board of County Supervisors with H. B. Cheney and F. F. Deitschler.

The school board change the time of school year from 8 to 8½ months. Foulks Bros. sell their harness business to Wm. Wortz and Charlie Cook The little two year old lad of Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett falls into a

boiler of hot water and death soon comes to the little sufferer.

Nicholas Schmittroth is our maker of bread and cakes.

Foulks Bros. have completed their fine new brick building on the east side of First Avenue and the new Clothing Store firm of Baker and Kuecland open out and commence business. With only a few changes they are at this writing as Kneeland and Kneeland the oldest continuous firm of the long list of Malvern merchants.

Roose and Wainwright repurchase their old business of The Iowa Lumber Co. after three months of travel and investigation, and settle down again as residents of Malvern.

B. F. Buffington & Son open up in the banking business in their new building on the east side of First avenue. Charlie Buffington assumes the working part of the business.

Collyer Boston resigns his position at the Post Office and becomes a salesman at the new Clothing Store. Miss Rose Mabee succeeds him at the post office wicket with her sunny smiles or sunny frowns as the case might be.

A family reunion to day of unusual character and interest occurs at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Graves when their family of nine children were all together for the first time in their lives, some of the older ones having gone out from the parental roof before the younger ones were

born. They are now all of them for this gathering around the spread out dining table of the parents home.

The old settlers had such a good time last year 1888, that they meet with us again. President Mickelwait ably directed the affairs of the reunion last year and President Clark of Council Bluffs is at the helm this year. A special train on the Wabash brought three crowded coaches of pleasure seekers and Dalbeys Band. The program of the day: Music by The Malvern Glee Club and the band, Rev. Geo. C. Rice invokes divine blessing upon the gathering, W. S. Lewis address of welcome, John N. Baldwin delivers the annual address. All ceuld not participate in the program of entertainment, but when the hundreds of picnic dinners were spread there were none but what thought they were qualified to take part. After dinner Rev. Crofts read a poem written for the occasion, W. H. M. Pusey gave a short address. Visiting and music for a while closed the exercises of a very pleasant and enjoyable gathering.

Tom Butler buys John Blades home. Our country neighbors and towns people have been helping with the display of our county products at the Blue Grass Palace at Creston where many of our people are going to day.

W. M. Lewis who has been for 6 years a diligent student of the art preservative at the Leader print rooms, graduates with honor and goes out, seeking wider fields.

We say good bye to O. H. Snyder and family as they move to Plattsmouth, Nebr., we shall miss them. A Mr. Kennedy of Villisca is killed by the passing of the fast mail train at the Q station. This calls to mind the death of E. H. Mabee, the well liked agent at the Q, who was by the reckless bumping of the switching engine, thrown from the top of a car and so terribly injured that death came December 11, 1877.

E. F. Korns of Phillipsburg, Kas., formerly a newspaper man in Malvern is here shaking hands with old time friends.

As we read the tributes of esteem and respect of W. D. Evans and A. B. Sisson to the memory of Mr. C. A. Donner, we mention our error in previous record made, that should have been placed at this date, November 3, 1889 instead.

Thanksgiving service for benefits and blessings of the year past is held at Baptist Church, Rev. C. M. Ward preaching the sermon.

Horace DeWolf is thirteen to day and his playmates gather and help him celebrate.

G. C. Boston and Hattie Wilkinson agree to walk the ways of life together.

Geo. Mellor moves his business into his fine new store room, north of Buffington Bank. James Maguire buys W. G. Wagner's home and Samuel Shutterly buys Dinwiddie's property. Frank Goodwin goes into business at Missouri Valley.

Plucky Tabor wins and railroad connections are made between the College town and Malvern. In the early days Tabor was a well known station on the road from slavery to freedom, and passengers were carried free. Davis & Cunningham are the first shippers of live stock over the Tabor and Northern.

1890 records A. H. Landis purchases the Greeson property for a home. Rev. McCormick is called as pastor of the Baptist Church.

A daughter is left at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hubbard.

Miss Ethel L. Norris and Charles W. Bigger are married today at the Norris home. Frank Hough takes his position as Jeweler at Munger & Goodwin Store.

W. A. Barkus and family become residents of Malvern and Mr. Barkus opens a laundry in Churchill block on 3rd street.

January 23, 1890, Malvern Creamery price list: Cream 15c, Eggs 12c, Live Chickens 4½c, Live Turkeys 7c, Live Ducks 5c, Live Geese 50c each, Old Roosters 10c each and they sell the feathers at 5c pound. In these days of H. C. L. we might wish ourselves back in those good old days when old roosters were on the market at ten cents each.

Good Templars Lodge elect officers: Miss Eva Landis C. T., Miss Ella Miller V. T., Miss Nannie Roose Secretary, Clyde Wills F. Sec., Miss Chattie Guilford Treasurer, Miss Ida Roose Chaplain, Geo. Cleaver Marshall, Ralph Brothers Guard, Obb Raines Sentinel, May Paul Organist.

We go out over the border to make record of the death of former residents of Malvern, Mrs. Sweetzer at her later home in Sacramento, Calif., who was for eighteen years a history maker for good in her home in Malvern; of Mrs. Arthur Brown, nee Miss Nettic Rhodes at Portland, Ore., and Mrs. Kryselmier in her Malvern home.

Another fire breaks out in the Abbott & Gavitt broom factory down on 3rd Street, burning quickly, the family of Wesley Petty barely having time to escape. Mr. Barkus' laundry goods mostly saved. Losses were Mr. Churchill on building, Foulks Bros. on goods stored, G. Schuckmeilska shoe repair shop and Petty and Barkus on household goods.

The Tabor and Northern Railroad commence doing business for Uncle Sam in carrying the mails.

The early ones down town Saturday morning were horrified to see a human form hanging from the front of E. B. Brown & Co. Ctore. It was an effigy of the noted McGinty.

John Robrahn builds brick veneered residence south of M. E. Church. Frank Day and his mother move from Strahan to Malvern.

G. D. Keffer and family move to Hastings to take charge as manager of Kronsbeins branch store. George has proved to be a stayer there and at this writing is driving away at the same line of business.

Miss Frazier is elected principal of our schools. R. E. K Mellor, a long

time business man here, with his family start a new business and a home at-Wayne, Nebr.

Miss Katie Kline takes the place of Miss Pet Rickabaugh with Boehner Mercantile Co.

The best medical skill is not able to save the life of little Bertie Munger who dies to day.

Dr. Campbell has completed his new office building on the ground floor on 1st avenue.

Some of the young folks who surprise Georgie Smith on her birthday are Nellie Churchill, Annie Moore, Duck and Maud Wilkinson, Maud Vandevert, Ollie and Hopie Gavitt, Elsie Chantry, Maud Raines, Mabel Wetmore, Eva Lockwood, Maud Landis, Hazel Campbell.

W. H. Byers and Miss Jennie Mabee form a marriage partnership.

Quite a number of our people are attending the Council Bluffs Chautauqua.

The stork leaves a bunch of three babies at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Heiner, but they stay only a few days.

Mills County Normal Institute is held in the high school building, with good attendance and an instructive program of work.

H. H. Stich purchases the picture gallery of Mr. Tolman for whom he has been manager.

The reunion of the surviving comrades of the 29th Iowa Infantry on August 12th and 13th was a memorable event for them, and also for those from other regiments and states who took part with them in the glad gathering. From the register of names of those present, so many have since been mustered out, that only a small company could now be present at roll call.

The little kindergarten folks who have been under the care and training of Miss Griffith assisted by Mrs. Ed Brown for a while, separate today.

Miss Blanche Roberts and L. W. Boehner are married today at the home of Mrs. Ruth Roberts and are off on a tour of travel.

R. F. Norton purchases the entire interests of the Creamery. John Dyson Jr. is one of the helpers at the post office.

Wm. Marshall formerly in business here returns and buys the bakery of Mrs. Wilkinson and combines the two, bakery and meat shop.

Rev. G. C. Waynick unites in marriage this 22nd day of September, 1890, at the home of her mother Mrs. Mat Boehner, her daughter Nellic and John R. Foulks.

The Mills County Fair has just closed its gates on its exhibits for the year 1890, and has a balance on the credit side.

Death calls Thomas Bonham, of firm of Bonham & Hammond, who dies at the home of his son in Council Bluffs, and laid to rest in our silent city of the dead. Lodge and Church directory for 1890: Masonic, H. H. Norton, W. M.; W. J. C. Smith, Secretary. I. O. O. F., F. A. Marsh, N. G.; Wm, Wortz, V. G.; Thos. Hawkins Jr., Secretary. K. of P.: Jesse Smith, C. C.; C. E., Holmes, V. C.; F. M. Beam, Rec. K. of L. Assembly Hall over Retelsdor Tailor Shop. G. A. R.: J. M. Johnson, P. C.; Thos. Paul, Adjt. Sons of V. Malvern Hill Camp, J. E. Johnson, Capt. I. O. G. T.: Katie Kline, C. T.; Nannie Norton Secretary. Church Pastors: M. A. Hampton, Christian Church; C. M. Ward, Methodist; W. J. Watson, Baptist; D. B. Fleming, Presbyterian. A. Hershey, Mayor.

A pair of bright boys are left at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Cook. Floral Hall at Fair Grounds burned last night, cause unknown.

Mrs. Betts, a business woman, buys the Ringland home on Douglas Street, with a view of making it a hotel. This was the first start of the Cottage which has had a number of landladies and landlords since Mrs. Betts dedicated it to the traveling public. But its doors are still open for the weary and hungry ones.

The Woody Bros. entertainment, with whom are the Bridges brothers, Malvern boys, given last evening, was very much enjoyed by our music loving people and pleased at the part taken on the program by the Bridges boys.

A. H. Earhart buys C. B. Christy residence.

Robt. Hammond sells his Peaceville home and is looking around for a little piece of ground inside the Corporate limits of Malvern.

Our former citizen and buiness man, Rev. Wallace, the marrying parson, is yet alive and at the business, having just married his 807th couple at his home town of Clarinda.

Nard Byers and W. A. Crow are putting up a blacksmith shop west of Skadan's implement house.

G. H. Roose is building a nice cottage home on Center Street, half way up the hill.

Rev. Watson and Henry Baird, as pilots for the writer and twenty seven of his Sunday school boys, have a rabbit hunt and roast over the camp fire for a beautiful December day picnic down on the Nishna. The boys then, now men grown will remember the jolly time we had if they do not have a snap shot picture of the gathering.

Items of 1891: Lew McDill and Dell Schaffer are helpers at Gibson's. A little band of the Omahas, a remnant of the red men, are camping to day down on Silver Creek. A baby daughter comes into the family at the Watson home. Geo. F. Salyers retires from the mercantile business and goes back to the farm. Milton Summers Post call special memorial meeting as tribute to the memory of General Wm. T. Sherman who answers the roll call of death.

The Christian Endeavor Convention of Mills County and Tabor is held at the Presbyterian Church. An enthusiastic gathering gives an impetus for a greater devotion to the Master's service. Town election held: John R. Foulks, Mayor; John R. Christopher, Recorder; C. F. Goodwin, Treasurer; A. J. Chantry and James Churchill, Councilmen; J. L. Talbott, Street Commissioner.

J. R. Hubbard buys a farm near Tabor and sells his dray line to Chas. Duncan. B. L. Byers buys Geo. Dixon's property.

Miss Josie Wetmore, who commenced her medical studies in Dr. Campbell's office, now completes the three year course with honor and credit at the Women's Medical College at Chicago, receives her diploma and is appointed interne at the hospital for women and children in that city.

C. C. Reid takes a position with Marsh and Ward. The Malvern Creamery furnishes the butter for the banquet tables at the opening of The Grand Hotel at Council Bluffs.

Dr. Marsh retires from business and is hunting a place for a home and the practice of his profession.

Charlie Burr sells his home to Mr. Ryan. A. C. Fulton, the operator at the Q. and Jennie Cain marry and they too are prospecting for business and a home.

Buckley succeeds Connor at the Q. and Cal Berryman comes back to Malvern. The Presbyterian people build a parsonage on Chase Street.

Miss Minnie Johnson is the only graduate from the High School this year, 1891, and the alumni of the high school have their first meeting. Miss Maggie Black, President.

Our townsman, G. H. Roose is an enthusiastic dog fancier, and when not busy at the yards is selling or buying dogs. He sells his old dog, the head of his kennell for \$175. and soon after he trades a likely pup he has and the \$175 in cash for a Mrs. dog, which he confines in stockade for a bit, and when he comes again she has dug an outlet under the foundation and is away. The entire police force of the town, aided by the citizens soon discover her hiding place under a neighbors porch and is taken captive, and quiet and order is again restored.

Our business neighbor Eugene Bushnell goes a little way out in the country and finds a wife, Miss Mary Montgomery, and has a neat little nest of a home on east hill ready for her.

Prof. C. L. Brill issues "The New West," a monthly paper in the interests of the business college.

We step over the border to make record of the death of James Newton Summers, better known by his many friends as "Newt."

Alice Brothers is bookkeeper and John Roe takes Will Zanders place at Paddock's Store.

S. Burrus and family become residents of the village and have been stayers and workers for the best interests of the town.

Hon. W. S. Lewis presents a big sized "Old Glory" to the town council,

a handsome and patriotic gift, that they may not forget that they have a country and a flag.

Our educational guides for the youngsters for the coming year: Prof. Joubert, May Miller, Emma Brown, Laura Roe and Bessie Mitchener.

Paul Evans has been getting married and brings his bride to his parents' home on a visit.

A young lad who tips the scale at ten pounds is making his head quarters at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Boehner.

Miss Alberta Follett thinks well of Warren Chantry, and has her name changed to Mrs. Chantry. Miss Emily Cottrell and Charlie Holmes are quietly married at the Cottrell home.

Building operations are active. They are fitting up the upper rooms of the high school building for Brill's business college and he is building a home near by; Walter Larison a new home; Bairds new business building; Jas. J. Wilson a residence and F. S. Leighty an addition to his store.

Another mover with a canopy top wagon came through town with a team of cows, an excellent propelling power and carrying with them a supply of food and drink.

Miss Faristina Gerrish, the whistling soloist had an appreciative audience both morning and afternoon as she gave her entertainment from the platform on the fair grounds, the fourth. Her ease and ladylike appearance upon the rostrum, dispelled what prejudice there might have been against a lady whistler, as an entertainer.

Rev. Fleming performs the ceremony that unites Violet Shank and John W. Hunt. Miss Lizzie Guilford and J. E. Cleaver are united in wedlock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Strahan and Mr. E. A. Stone and Mrs. Marshall are tied by the same tie.

The marriage festivities and the funeral procession following. Mrs. Mc Curdy dies. A. C. Fulton, the husband of Jennie Cain, who were married in Malvern but a short time ago dies at his home in Texas. Dr. W. H. Otis, the attending physician for the Whiteside children having the diphtheria, takes the disease himself and his own life is taken in the conscientious discharge of the duties of his profession. Mr. G. W. Ewing and Mr. Hertz are two more added to the death list.

Dud Rickabaugh is one of the helpers at Gibson's, Nellie Robinson at Paddock's and J. C. Tipple with Boehner Mercantile Co.

- T. J. Wilson buys the Al Hershey home and A. C. Blakeley the Hunter property. north of Dr. Campbells.
- Dr. C. A. Love and family from St. Louis come to Malvern and the doctor takes up the practice of Dr. Otis.

Franchise is granted by the town of Malvern to L. W. Boehner and

- J. D. Paddock for the erection and installing of an Electric Light and Power Plant.
- J. T. Ward sells his business to Dr. Brothers and C. C. Reid. Poe Rickabaugh sells his home to J. E. Cleaver and moves to Council Bluffs.

Scott Lewis moves to Glenwood. This part of the country has been his stamping place with bare feet as a lad, and shod when older grown. He gives good reasons for removal and we let him go.

Mayor Foulks and recorder Dinwiddie are busy signing the water bonds at 6 per cent interest.

Miss Lulu Thompson and J. A. Tyler are married at the Thompson home.

W. A. Barkus and Nard Byers are captains of two hunting teams Thanks giving Day. Barkus party is ahead by a few points and Nard and his team furnish the oysters for the crowd.

Harry Foulks after a long grim fight for life gives up the contest. The Foster House formerly the Judkins and the Wilkinson is destroyed by fire.

Rev. Chas. Merwin, an early settler and home builder in the village, a worthy helper in advancing the moral tone of life in our community, dies at his later home at Tabor.

Mr. J. C. Taylor and family come from Illinois and cast their lot with the Malvern people.

Jan. 3, 1892. Ben Dick is now proprietor of the Malvern Mills, and Will Mitchiner keeps the candy parlors.

Wm. E. Kline is elected teacher to fill vacancy.

Senator elect A. J. Chantry goes to Des Moines to take his seat in the general assembly and Thomas M. Britt as our representative.

Horatio A. Baldwin or Father Baldwin, aged 92 dies to day, a well known and respected figure upon our streets, a gentleman of the old school.

Mr. S. Burrus buys the restaurant of Will Mitchener, and at this writing 25 years after, the name is still the Burrus Restaurant.

Charlie Barnett's body is brought to his old home town for burial.

C. C. Cully the new merchant opens out stock in Bairds new building. W. R. Thomas buys the barber shop business of Tony White, and Harry comes from Randolhp to Malvern two new citizens.

Dr. Smith the dentist is a competitor with Mr. Roose as a lover of high class dogs and takes some good premiums at a Chicago bench show.

Mrs. Benton buys J. H. DeBolts residence property.

A public statement of Mayor Foulks showing the business of the town for year ending March 1, 1892. Receipts \$175.25, Disbursements \$114.80, leaving a few nickels in the treasury.

Since the granting of the franchise for the electric light plant to Boehner and Paddock, the project has been carried out in erection of building

and installing of machinery for lights, heat and power and now this 10th day of March, 1892, the first connection is made and the current turned on at the business house of Foulks Bros., where flashed forth the starting of the electric lighting system of Mills County. It was an infant plant and many trials and much tribulation to sustain and build it up, but the lights have been kept burning all these years since and future writers will record its progress to its present scope of usefulness. The men behind the dynamo that have been the helpers to make it go have been James Jones, John Knight and Joe Deardorff.

The result of the spring election: Fred Zanders Mayor, A. B. Adams Recorder, S. Wainwright, W. A. Crow and E. B. Brown, new councilmen; J. J. Wilson, Treasurer, J. L. Talbott, Street Commissioner and C. E. Holmes, Assessor.

J. K. DeWolf, for many years a worthy citizen of Malvern finds a new home in Nebraska.

The packing house plant is sold to Bennett Thorne & Co. of Philadelphia who fit it up for a Cold Storage house.

E. H. Hamilton is elected principal of our schools and Miss Myrtle Williams assistant.

Friends and neighbors get together and help Uncle John Chambers celebrate his 73rd birthday and report a royal time visiting and eating.

- J. H. B. Gordon does not raise the price of board, but he raises the hotel, the Gordon House.
 - E. R. Graves builds a home.

Miss Alice Cottrell and Lewis Woodrow, with the aid of two ministers, D. B. Fleming and W. J. Watson are securely tied with the lovers knot at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Smith, the bride's sister. Chas. S. Roe and Miss Mattie Brumback of Hamburg assume the same obligations.

The flouring mill to be erected by the Replogles of Red Oak, material for which has been purchased on account of distruction by fire and heavy loss of their home property, has to be given up.

Harry Thomas' new brick building is completed, and divided with the barber shop on one side and Henry Baird will study out his law decisions on the other.

Prof. Willey dies and a wide circle of friends mourn the going out of his life, the body is taken to Mt. Pleasant.

Whitfield and DuShane are the new law firm.

The runaway of team driven by Mrs. Viner and her miraculous escape from death has been the exciting incident of the day.

Mrs. Josiah Leek and C. J. R. Abbott, one of our business men, are taken to the residing place of the dead.

Prof. Hamilton builds a home.

Alfred Chantry and Miss Katie Kline take upon themselves the vows that make them one.

Strahan and Christy purchase the banking interests of B. F. Buffington and Son.

Major Barnes returns to Malvern and has purchased an interest in the business of The Boehner Mercantile Co. Mrs. Merwin and Miss Abbie return to Malvern, their early home. Mr. Bentley from Randolph purchases the home of L. Bentley.

Our school opened up Monday with an enrollment of 273.

Thomas Hawkins dies September 9th; he was here early and a trusted, honest citizen in all his life.

The little one at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Holmes is taken from them.

The annual meeting of the County Sunday School Association meets at Malvern. The entertainment committee are Mesdames Barnes, Leighty, Hough and DuShane.

- H. T. Richmond rents the new Byers Building. John W. Dyson resigns his position at the Post Office after faithful service of three years.
- Y. M. C. A. rooms dedicated to their use November 13, 1892, with interesting ceremonies. G. W. Wyant moves into his new home he has been building.

Our townsman D. M. Whitfield dies to day. He has been only a short time a resident of the town, but from its early days has been a steadfast friend and worker for its interests.

G. E. Wetmore sells hardware business to M. Cunningham. Tom Lough is our photographer. Dr. Carley for 14 years a resident physician of Malvern, leaves Malvern.

Roose & Wainwright move the lumber yard from 3rd Street to Center Street

J. B. Welpton a new comer is with Paddock & Co.

The Council are putting up a building for hose cart and for the council meetings.

O. J. Davidson opens up a Variety Store. Foulks Bros. sell their business to four of our young men, a good strong team for work and trade, with the firm name of The Malvern Hardware and Implement Company.

Johnstone, the mind reader, has been performing some wonderful feats of being able to read the concentrated thoughts of those whom he has been associated with to day.

Albert Tyler buys the O. M. Harris dray line. Denny McHugh, a good citizen of Malvern for many years, now living at Plattsmouth, Nebr., has ben pronounced insane and taken to the asylum.

The Farmers and Traders Bank is changed to a National Bank under name of Farmers National and officered by Mr. J. C. Taylor as President and Wm. M. Evans as Cashier.

The Hiser livery barn is sold to Sam Norton and Lee Donner and Gene Bushnell buys B. L. Byers blacksmith shop.

Miss Ellen Wing is elected as teacher of 6th grade in our public school.

January, 1893, Rev. E. W. Brown becomes pastor of the Presbyterian Church. Tom Shannon buys the photo gallery of Hughes and Son. Jas. J. Wilson is elected as Cashier of First National Bank.

The rooms of the Y. M. C. A. are open evenings for reading and social gatherings.

Mr. Sam Harold's home that he had only recently purchased was destroyed by fire Sunday morning.

At the home of Mrs. Dr. Otis occurs to day the marriage of her sister Miss Lizzie Uttvits to Charles W. Lee of Omaha.

Mrs. Uttvits desires a home of her own and buys the wetmore residence. L. W. Boehner completes and moves into his fine new home.

A social event of great interest is the marriage ceremony at the Presbyterian Church today of Miss Edith Evans and Judge Joseph R. Reed of Council Bluffs.

The installing of system of water works in the town has rendered obsolete our old fire fighting force, the noble bucket brigade, and a well equipper, trained and efficient volunteer fire department has been established. The organization of the fire department was effected February 3, 1893, by election of officers, Wm. C. Wortz Chief, Ed B. Brown first assistant, F. Mulholland second assistant, and a muster roll of our best young men to fill the ranks who have been in all these years since an effective force in staying the ravages of fire and saving life and property.

Married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Evans, their daughter Lizzie to Mr. Thomas W. Raines. Death invades the Barnet home and takes away the mother of the family.

The town election is taking place today and we are getting initiated into the new way of voting. The count of votes elects F. Zanders, Mayor; Wm. Mitchener, Recorder; Jas. J. Wilson, Treasurer; Wm. Grasby, Street Commissioner; T. D. Gibson and Wm. Kneeland new Councilmen.

At school election W. H. Bentley and Chan. Baird the new directors on the board. Tom Butler purchased J. K. DeWolf's property and C C. Reed the Rachael Kerney home.

All our young men are buying or wanting to buy Safety Bicycles, and pedestrians are keeping out of the way of the amateur riders.

Roose and Wainwright again make sale of their lumber business to C. D. Greenwood and Ed Morse. Mr. Roose includes in the sale his neat new cottage home.

At a meeting of the Ladies Cemetery Association the following officers were elected: Mrs. Dr. Campbell, President; Mrs. A. Hershey, Secretary, Treasurer; Miss Place and Mesdams Munger, Retelsdorf, Summers, Chantry and Bonham advisory board.

J. M. Strahan's second addition to Malvern has been surveyed and platted and lots are being sold. There are quite a number of purchasers of lots in different parts of town with the intention of building homes, J. B. Welpton, J. C. Taylor, James Brohard, Samuel Harold.

Miss Arminta Jones Millinery Store is displaying all the latest novelties in ladies head covering. A tower is being erected for the fire alarm bell.

Henry Gastineau, one of the early pioneers and hustling business man of Malvern, now living in Valparaiso, Ind., is here greeting old time friends and reviving memories of the past.

The lumber business is booming, three yards are preparing for the season's trade, Greenwood & Morse, J. E. Skadan & Co. and Foster & Smith.

A special stock train of nineteen cars of cattle start this Tuesday for the Wednesday morning market in Chicago.

The school board renew \$6000.00 of school bonds with Gilman & Son, New York, at 5 per cent and elect teachers, Prof. E. H. Hamilton, Principal May Miller, Assistant Wm. Kline, Ellen Wing, Miss Laughlin, Miss Powell and Miss Addie Welpton as teachers of the grades.

Mr. Alonzo Ring of Glenwood buys building and opens up a bakery and restaurant. I. W. Skadan buys a residence property of Mrs. M. E. Boehner on east hill and B. W. Rush buys a lot and builds a home.

Zopher Perkins and Emma Myers are married by Rev. E. W. Brown. Dr Josie Wetmore is practicing her profession at Colorado Springs, Colo.

Samuel Hiser and wife, ten years residents here return to their old home Valparaiso, Ind. Mrs. D. M. Whitfield sells her fine home to Mrs. T. D. Gibson.

Three lumber yards are too many and Foster and Smith close out their stock to the other firms. Dr. H. H. Smith our dentist for eight years sells out to Dr. Price from Kansas and goes into business at Superior Wis.

C. C. Baird, Sr., a business man here since 1880, dies to day. Mobberly sells his meat market business to Fred Borene and the new firm is soon Borene Bros.

Chicago and the world's fair is the great attraction now, to the whole country, and a great many of our citizens are traveling that way and making the great show a visit.

Silver Creek is on the high tide and many are driven out from their homes.

Two of our young people are united in the bonds of wedlock, Miss Emma Brown and Frank B. Hough.

The thirteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Abbott while in swimming with several other lads in the high waters of the creek is drowned. News comes to friends of the death of F. T. Beckwith, a former helper in Malvern history.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Foulks welcomes a son.

The post office salary is increased to \$1400. Death calls Mrs. J. F. Retelsdorf and funeral service is held by Father Cook in the Catholic Church, July 18, 1893.

Two dozen fresh eggs for 25 cents at Gibson's. Mrs. S. M. Lewis sells millinery business to Amaret and Clara Place.

Frank Bridges comes home for a visit with his mother, and brings a wife with him. Gus Borene our meat market man gets a wife, Miss Sofa Carlson.

Miss Marion Black leaves home and friends to take up home missionary work in Utah, under direction of Presbyterian board of Missions.

Chas E. Crow, a Malvern boy is dead at Casper, Wyoming, from accident, is the decision of the jury. Helen Hunter, the daughter of S. C. Hunter dies to day, a young and promising life is taken.

M. F. Beckwith and family move to Malvern into their lately purchased home on east hill. Prof. M. Lewis, wife and daughter depart today for southern California. They will be missed in business, school and church circles.

Friends help Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cully celebrate their silver wedding 291 is the school enrollment. The pastors of the churches are Watson, Brown and Brewer.

W. B. Wilson, Uncle Billy, as his friends were wont to call him, dies here today. With his family they came to Malvern only about a month ago for school privileges, and rest from the arduous duties of the farm, and death calls. His body is taken to the burial place at Wesley Chapel Church, of which he was a charter member.

Ralph Brothers is the man at the post office wicket.

At John Hollins home his daughter May, is married to T. E. Bosworth.

S. Wainwright locates at Waldo, Ark., and his family leave for a new abiding place. A. E. Cook sells his residence to Geo. B. Foulks and W. E. Kline buys the first building erected in the town for a home.

Wm. McCoy, our blacksmith for many years, sells his shop to Reed Graves and John Shaw, and goes to the farm.

The death list is heavy, Mrs. Hertz the widow of Mr. Hertz who lately died is herself taken. The little sons of C. Larison and Major Barnes are both taken. J. C. Herbert's remains are brought from Blue Springs, Nebr., to Malvern, his pioneer home for burial and Ben Garman, after a brave fight is forced to give up and answer the summons

Twenty three years have gone into the past since the dedication of the first M. E. Church and now this 17th day of December, 1893, a new one has been erected and is to be dedicated and set apart as a place of divine worship. Rev. J. F. St. Clair takes the place of Bishop Bowman for the service.

There are no records to be obtained for the first nine months of 1894.

September, 1894, C. H. Leighty sells his residence property to G. W. Wyant. Sophia Retelsdorf and Susie Schaeffer go into the millinery business.

J. H. Burks & Co., the new Real Estate firm, sell Wilbur McCabes residence to J. P. Smith.

The price of wheat is very low, 45 cents per bushel and it is being fed to fatten the hogs.

James Evans is clerking for the Cully Dry Goods Co. Officers elect of the Y. M. C. A.: President, Geo. Cleaver; 1st V. P., S. C. Hunter; 2nd V. P., Dr. C. A. Love; Secretary, C. E. Holmes; Treasurer, C. B. Christy.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Schancks become residents of Malvern. U. G. King and Lillie Johnson are quietly married.

The old settlers annual picnic and visit is on at the Fair grounds. An interesting exhibit of gathered relics of old times and way back articles of use in the home and on the farm was interesting, showing what progress had been made for betterment.

Hartley Taylor goes as a student at the military training school at Faribault, Minn. Mr. E. A. Stone buys the ten acre tract of land and home of Mrs. Thomas Bonham in the Peaceville suburb.

Aunt Susan Smith, Uncle Peter's widow, dies at the Gordon House. Rev. D. C. Morris is pastor at the Christian Church. Mrs. D. H. Thompson dies.

A bouncing boy comes to stay and have his picture taken by Mr. and Mrs. Shannon.

The fire boys have their first actual experience on the fire at the Shanks building.

Attorney Cook and family are nicely located in their new home on Marion Avenue. A Stock Co. have erected a fine brick building on the corner of First Avenue and 5th Street, 25 feet wide and 110 feet deep.

Bank robbers use explosives and create great destruction in the Farmers National Bank, loss in money and damage to vault and safe over five thousand dollars.

The frequency of these midnight prowlers, necessitates a night watch and Walter Uttvits is appointed by town council and business men.

The fire boys have an ameteur play on at the opera house and the community express their appreciation and good will by a crowded house.

A chapter of the order of the Eastern Star is organized, Mrs. Sena Gidley, Worthy Matron; Associates Mrs. J. T. Ward and Miss Pet Woodrow.

Geo. Mellor adds 25 feet to his store room and has associated with him Mr. C. S. Royce from Carson, and put in a stock of drugs under firm name of Mellor & Royce. F. C. Harris is bookkeeper for the Neck Yoke Factory.

D. E. Whitfield and family after a trial of absence from Malvern and residence at Superior, Wis., return to the scenes and associations of their early years of life.

The poultry department of the Creamery is a busy place, 3500 chickens were picked and packed for market last week. The price is low, but lots of chickens.

Mr. C. S. Lawson of Council Bluffs comes down and takes away our post office assistant, Miss Rose Maybee. The ceremony of the binding tie is at the home of her sister, Mrs. Gidley. At the home of her mother, Miss Abbie Merwin and Mr. Will F. Chambers take upon themselves the marriage vows. R. A. Wills moves into his Peaceville property.

At the annual dinner of Milton Summers Post, January 5th, 1895, the following officers were elected: John DuShane, P. C.; H. Barnes, S. V. C.; Julius Shay, J V. C.; John Dull, Q. M.; C. W. Black, Chaplain; H. H. Woodrow, Q. D.; Isaac Dice, O. G.; J. B. Welpton, Adjt.; M. J. Higgins, Q. M. S.; P. Hambsch, S. M.; J. S. Criswell, Sergt.; John Suits, Color Bearer.

H. E. Schaeffer sells furniture business to Mr. W. H. Crose of Shenandoah. Mr. S. Burrus after an absence from Malvern for a while returns and buys out Mr. Ring, who wishes to make a change.

With the Current Topic Club and The Social Club of the older ones, to keep the mind in good working order, the High School students also organize a literary club for recreation and improvement; Amos Bonham President, Guy Welpton Vice President, Maud Wyant Secretary, Will Evans Treasurer.

The Leighty's sell the Corner Grocery to C. M. Pearson and Wm. Totten of Griswold.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Stone in Peaceville precinct occurs to day the marriage of their daughter Nellie E. Marshall to Wallace W. Donner.

A new bank is organized by J. C. Taylor and A. J. Wearin as the Mills County Savings Bank.

Spring election for city officers: John DuShane Mayor, W. E. Kline Recorder, Jas. J. Wilson Treasurer, W. A. Crow and C. E. Holmes new councilmen, were elected. James Clark succeeds Walter Uttvits as Night watch.

Mixie Cunningham was kicked to day by a colt, rendering necessary a trepanning operation, by Drs. Campbell and Love.

The dedication of the Y. M. C. A. new rooms in the Paddock block to day, Sunday is an event of great interest.

S. C. Hunter & Co. sell the Leader plant to E. B. Brown, Bert Mulholland and Clyde Wills, under firm name of E. B. Brown & Co. Mr. Brown takes up his same old work again.

D. T. Wyant and Miss Anna E. Bentley are married today April 3rd. 1895, at the home of the bride's mother.

There is general stagnation of business in all the marts of trade through out the whole country, and many of the poor of the cities are hungry, and

a spirit of discontent and unrest prevails. Many of these discontented ones have been added to the regular contingent of tramps and hoboes until they have become a forminable gathering. They have formed a combination under the title of the commonweal army. A large body of them, under the command and guidance of a General Kelsey are on the march through this part of the country, to spread their grievances before the rulers at Washington. Our citizens hear of their coming and the impression prevails that it will be best to have a parley with them before coming to our thresholds, and our worthy mayor, John DuShane and deputy Sheriff go out to meet them. A council is held with the motley crowd out near Henry Ranne's farm north west of town, and they promise to keep shy of our village if a good dinner is given them. Our committee return and report. The eatables were furnished and taken to them. This motley gathering are not all tramps and hoboes as we would think of them, but many fair minded but discontented men are in the crowd. After their hunger had been appeased they continued their march north of us. We have no record from print or memory where their journey ended. This was a small division of what will be remembered as Coxey's army.

Mr. W. S. Potts and family move from Sidney to Malvern. W. A. Beckett receives his appointment to a position in the railway mail service.

Miss Laughlin opens up a studio in the new building and gives instruction in painting and drawing.

S. B. Barnes purchases Prof. Hamilton's home and Mrs. Uttvits buys Mrs. Sam Campbell's residence. Charlie Larison after 17 years at the barber's chair sells out his interest in the business and his home to John Uttvits.

Teachers elect: W. E. Kline Principal, May Miller Assistant Principal, Maud Norton, Addie Welpton, Miss Powell and Florence Ockerson of the grades.

The running team of the fire boys are Gord Jones, John Perdue, Frank Degenhart, Ralph Brothers, Geo. Pace, Ed Scott, Clyde Wills, Bert Mulholland, Chas. Brothers, Bert Crumb, Ralph Roberts, Charles Cleaver, Nobe Smith, Frank Higgins, Paul Retelsdorf, Frank Churchill, Will Jackson, Harry Landis, Chas. Totten, Fred Mulholland, Geo. Cleaver.

Geo. LaFrance is the new helper at the forge in Gene Bushnell's shop. Miss Lillian Betts and Mr. F. H. Parker of Chicago are married at the home, The Cottage, to day May 14, 1895. Miss May Baird and Dr. B. A. Price are married at the Baird home. Miss Pearl Mellor and Brent K. Yates of Omaha have the wedding march played for them.

J. D. Paddock and Co. assigns for benefit of creditors.

Another couple wed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Wills, June 5th, their daughter Eva to Charles Wainwright and they go to Waldo, Ark.

The wife of Rev. E. W. Brown is taken by that grim reaper death. The beautiful and loving words in memoriam of her life while in our midst shows the esteem in which she was held.

Dr. I. U. Parsons of Council Bluffs takes care of the patients of Drs. Scott and Love while they are having an outing, and he likes our people so well that he becomes a permanent resident.

The graduating class for 1895, Maud Wyant, Sadie Paddock, Maggie Crow, Lillie Crow, Stella Layton, Albin Byers, Ona Bentley, Mina Morford, Forest Chantry, Amos Bonham, Guy Welpton, Gay Smith and Will Evans.

The creamery burned last night, nearly a total loss, no insurance and nothing much saved for Mr. Norton or for Mr. Clark who lived in the up per part and who barely escaped with their lives. It is a great loss to Mr. Norton and to the business interests of the town.

Jacob Konefka is a veteran at the brick yard as a temperer of the clay, having been at it 21 years.

The children and friends of E. R. Graves help them to celebrate their golden wedding day.

L. W. Boehner and A. B. Hawkins purchase the Cold Storage plant and form a company, A. B. Hawkins, President; Fred Boehner, Secretary and L. W. Boehner, Treasurer. The property invested for other uses will be utilized and still be of value to the town and community.

Very low water in the streams, not showing in some places in Silver Creek and only a tiny stream in the Nishna.

Little Edna Scott has a gathering of about thirty of her little companions to make merry her 8th birthday anniversary.

Fred Borene and Miss Lucy Carlson and quietly married and Miss Maggie E. Schaffer and Mr. Wm. J. Tyner decide to walk the ways of life together.

Fine improvements are being made on the buildings and track at the Fair grounds preparing for the coming fair.

Greenwood & Morse sell lumber yard to J. C. Taylor and S. B. Barnes.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith the marriage of their daughter Stella to Mr. J. O. Hamaker.

Miss Hattie Birdsall of Emerson is elected teacher to fill vacancy.

Frank Beam, for several years the popular agent at the Wabash, resigns to pursue studies in the dental department of the State University. Dakin Miller has come to prominence in base ball circles as pitcher.

Mr. W. S. Potts is checked in as agent at the Q. V. W. Beeson of Missouri, a new comer, a blacksmith, leases a shop of Gibson.

September, 1895, Guy Welpton, Curtis Munger and Frank Goodwin are students at Tabor.

Improvements and buildings planned and in course of erection: E. A. Stone at Peaceville, in town, Mrs. Bishop, Wm. Kneeland, B. F. Barnet, V. W. Beeson, J. T. Ward, A. J. Wearin, J. C. Taylor, Frank Weatherhead.

July 22, 1894. The sad news soon spread that Eddie, the bright young son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ward, was drowned at the White Cloud Mill. It was too true. No human eye saw the water engulf the lad. His fishing tackle was lying upon the bank, his hat was found in a quiet eddy of the water and these gave to the anxious searchers an intimation of his fate. A large seine was dragged through the deep channel and the lifeless body was found.

Miss Adelle Gibson of Marne is teacher for vacancy. 320 is the enrollment at the school.

September market quotations at Coats & Wilkinson, elevator: Wheat 40c, Oats 13c, Corn 20c.

Fred Stone takes unto himself a wife, Miss Iva E. Talley.

The fire department boys produce the play at the opera house entitled "Bound by an Oath," with the following caste: Wm. Wortz, Chas. Brothers, Will Morris, Fred Mulholland, Harry Landis, Miss Carrie Wills, Mabel Barrack, Sophia Retelsdorf and Ida Morris.

John Perdue is our faithful night watch. J. H. Watson is the name of the new agent at the Omaha and St. Louis.

A. B. Adams enters the ministry and his first charge is at Magnolia, Iowa. T. W. Finch and family move to Malvern.

Miss Lena Laughlin, a former teacher here, dies at College Springs.

Charles F. Goodwin is taken sick while on a visit to his brother Frank at Missouri Valley and his eyes are closed in the sleep of death. He has been an active business man here for a quarter of a century, and a wide circle of friends will miss him from his accustomed place as well as the dear ones in his home.

At a meeting of stockholders of the Fair Association, October 19th, 1895, the following officers and directors were elected: J. M. Strahan, President; H. A. Norton, Vice President; I. J. Swain, Secretary; John Dyson, Treasurer; W. L. Summers, Marshal; and directors M. L. Evans, W. G. White, W. C. Swarts, J. B. Fickel, W. G. Summers, L. C. Stevesson, R. S. Vestal, W. R. Johnson, H. H. Woodrow, E. A. Stone, Sherman Jones, J. M. Kline and A. J. Kronsbien.

Onion growers on the Missouri river bottom lands can only get $8 \frac{1}{2}c$ a bushel for their crop.

Mr. H. T. Beattie buys the merchandise stock of T. P. Hamm and starts in as a citizen of Malvern.

Mr. Pearson sells his grocery business to the Totten Brothers.

A. B. Henry is the new clerk at Munger and Goodwin's.

Old Dan, Paddock's horse dies at the age of twenty three years, possibly of a broken heart that he could not be of any more service to his masters.

Miss Sadie Anderson is typewriter in Baird's law office. Charlie Adams who has been in charge of the Cottage for a long time resigns his position.





First Avenue in 1875, Looking South from North Street.



Mr. Arthur Leighty and Mabel Kline get a license to marry. Miss Gilliand holds the office of County Superintendent of Schools.

Our citizens R. A. and W. W. Wills and wives celebrate their thirtieth wedding anniversary, both couples being married the same day.

U. G. King buys an acre lot in Strahans addition to Malvern. Geo. Cleaver buys Mrs. Anna Wing's residence property.

James Churchill is running the old Seeger Mill, grinding feed and sawing cottonwood lumber and manufacturing egg cases.

W. H. Buckley, our well liked agent leaves Malvern for a position on the C. B. & Q. at Lovilla, Iowa.

Charlie Adams has the contract for transfer of the mails.

Mr. A. J. Wearin and family move into their elegant new home and with their fine home they build a barn to correspond in all its requirements.

Mr. W. H. Crose succeeds Mr. Buckley as President of Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Betts sells the Cottage Hotel to Mr. G. A. Averill from Corning. Mrs. Betts the retiring landlady has a large circle of friends who are wishing she might remain.

Christmas at the Churches was observed to the great delight of the little ones and their pleasure was contageous with the older ones.

January, 1896, O. J. Davis succeeds Mr. Watson as agent at the Wabash. J. B. Fickel and family of Anderson Township are stopping with us as residents for a while.

At the residence of Mrs. R. J. Bentley occurs today the marriage of her daughter Ona, to Mr. Walter Uttvits.

Installation of officers of Eastern Star and Silver Urn Lodges. Installation of Eastern Star conducted by Mrs. L. W. Tubbs, P. M. Mrs. Sena Gidley Matron, H. A. Norton Patron, Mrs. J. B. Welpton A. M., Miss Mintie Jones Secretary, Mrs. E. J. Aistrope Treasurer, Mrs. C. S. Royce Conductress, Mrs. W. J. C. Smith A. C., Mrs. G. B. Foulks Ada, Miss Alice Brothers, Ruth; Mrs. M. Cunningham, Esther, Mrs. H. H. Woodrow, Martha; Mrs. H. A. Norton, Electa; Mrs. John DuShane Chaplain; J. T. Ward, Marshal; Mrs. Emma Young, Organist; Mrs. Carrie Donner, Warder; J. D. Barrack, Sentinel. Officers of Silver Urn installed by L. B. Hixon. H. A. Norton, W. M.; M. Cunningham, S. W.; J. B. Welpton, J. W; Thos. Paul, Treasurer; J. T. Ward, Secretary; H. H. Woodrow, S. D.; W. E. Kline, J. D.; James Jones, S. S.; John Suits, J. S.; I. W. Skadan, Tyler.

At sheriff's sale, eleven head of horses, mostly 3 and 4 year olds, sold at from \$7.00 to \$20.00, average \$13.00.

O. J. Davis buys the Ed Morse property. W. H. Salyers sells fifty chickens to the Creamery Co. that averaged 6½ lbs. each at 5 cents a pound, and thought he was getting rich.

News comes to day of the death of G. T. Donner at his home in Portland, Oregon. This vicinity was his boyhood home, and for many years a prominent business man of the town and serving a term as post master.

Our railroad, the Omaha and St. Louis, that our citizens helped to build from Moberly to Council Bluffs is put up at auction at Council Bluffs. There were no bidders from Malvern present. Mr. C. B. Gould bid it in at \$1,560,000.00.

McKibbin takes John Perdue's place as night watch and John buys the dray line of Charlie Adams.

Henry V. Evans answers the roll call of death at his home in Malvern, and Mrs. John Miller after many years as an invalid and sufferer is taken in the funeral procession to the place of the dead. (Continued next week.)

The passing of the old for the new. The erection of the early church buildings by the Methodist and the Baptist people, met the needs of the day, but advancement and progress of the christian work and added numbers, made it necessary to enlarge and build better temples for the Lord's service. In regular order of time we failed to make mention of the building by the Baptist people of their new house of worship, the corner stone of which was laid on October 19th, 1893, and fully completed and dedicated on Sunday, July 15th, 1894. An event of great interest not alone to its own people but to all within the radius of its influence for good.

Ten couples of our young people have a leap year party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wearin, in the country. The young ladies were the guiding hands in the program. The boys parted their hair in the middle, and some donned the bloomer costume. It was a great event for the boys.

Citizen W. A. Crow finishes the journey of this life.

Mr. D. W. Harvey and Mrs. Anna Marsh are married at the Baptist parsonage.

James Maguire and Mike Lee are watchmen at the crossing of the railroads. Mr. Geo. S. Wilson receives the appointment as Postmaster and April 15th, 1896, takes possession.

The bright manly son of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Whitfield is taken by that scourge, scarlet fever. Mrs. Luella Miller buys residence of Jess Smith on Marion Avenue.

A surprise party on Harry Wilson by his sisters Etta and Bertha inviting in their friends, Grace Landis, Gertie Finch, Lulu Totten, Pearl Ewing, Alice Bentley, Nettie Welier, Maud Wyant, Cora Smith, Bessie Weller, Arva Burrus, Fenno Smith, Dell Schaffer, Ben Montgomery, John Uttvits. Harry Landis, Charley Cleaver, Harry Boston, Harlan Porter, Charlie Boles. Bessie Wills, Alice Dull and Katie Wilson served the refreshments, after which the games of youth.

The Y. M. C. A., on account of limited numbers and financial aid are forced to give up the good work and close the doors. Heroic and consecrated service has been given by the few, but not enough in number to keep the wheels in motion and the lights brightly burning.

- J. A. Black succeeds J. A. Tyler in the grocery business. Mrs. E. J. Aistrope buys the residence of Mrs. Mitchener and Shannon the artist sells to Mr. Moores of Afton.
- C. E. Burres is the new agent at the Q. and H. A. Conent succeeds Will Chambers as operator.

Malvern is made a distributing point for the Standard Oil Co. Extensive improvements are being made to the Cottage Hotel by Mr. Averill, the new owner.

Miss Dora Alexander, Miss Lillie Chantry and Miss Florence Kiskadon are added to the teachers list.

Jess Smith for eighteen years with the Boehner Store, resigns. His friends and customers will miss him from behind the counters of the firm.

The high school graduates for 1896: Lora A. Hamilton, Geo. Masters, Addie Ward, Daisy Bartley, Leonard Wilkinson, Katie Cottroll, Leo Gordon, Marie Christy, Mamie Hamilton, Melvin Hensley and Jessie Place.

Miss Mattie Wilson is on duty at the Post office wicket.

Mrs. Ruth Roberts purchases a home on Marion Avenue. Mrs. Wearin trades Mr. G. W. Wyant some bank stock for his home on Marion Avenue.

W. W. Wills is tendered a position on the custodians force at the State Capitol and moves with his family to Des Moines.

The Cully Dry Goods Co. are forced, by the closeness of the times and dull trade to suspend business.

The beautiful home of J. C. Taylor is complete and the family take possession

At the home of Mrs. Ewing, her daughter Pearl and Ben Montgomery are united in marriage. Mrs. Sena Gidley and Mr. A. H. Dolph were quietly married yesterday at the home of the bride in Malvern, Rev. E. W. Brown officiating.

Mr. W. H. Crose and family remove from Malvern to Shenandoah. Their removal is objected to very strongly by a wide circle of friends and business neighbors and they change their mind, and soon return again.

The Malvern fire boys at the firemen's tournament at Marshalltown come out with honor and well up towards the top in cash prizes, and on their return home were tendered a reception and a banquet at the Cottage that made them proud.

The death of an honored citizen Mr. H. Barnes is announced this morning after quite a long illness. Mr. Barnes came here to Malvern in 1873, and has taken an active part in business, and in the upbuilding of its temporal affairs, and moral and religious life.

Nobe Smith buys the grocery stock of C. C. Baird. John Baird gets contract to operate the Standard Oil Station at this point.

Mr. Baker of firm of Baker and Knecland retires from the business and the junior member will run the race alone. Grandma Hopper, a resident of Malvern since 1880, dies at her home here. Mrs. W. S. Cooper is teacher for the new room added to the public school.

Mrs. H. Barnes sells her home to Mrs. Robt. Plumb.

Malvern boys are out as winners in sporting contests. Harry and Charlie Cleaver in wheel races, Frank Weatherhead in shooting matches, Fred and Bert Mulholland win doubles in tennis.

Creamery business for first year in new building: Butter, 78666 lbs. made; Eggs bought, 180000 dozen, shipments of poultry, live 55884 lbs., dressed 58189 lbs.

An important business change, The Farmers National Bank business is taken up by the Mills County Savings Bank. The Farmers National Bank, who go into voluntary liquidation is one of the oldest business houses of the town, started as a private bank by W. D. Evans in 1871.

A. Hershey one of the stand patters of Malvern history from its beginning, with wife and niece Miss Jessie Place move to Des Moines, Iowa.

W. G. Bingaman and family after a year's residence in Pennsylvania, return to Malvern.

Our voting ballot this year is in size 18x24 inches with six headings, Republican, Democrat, Populist, Prohibition Straight, Prohibition Bolters and Socialistic, and campaign exercises are taking the attention of the people.

H. F. Richmond buys the home of John McKibben.

Mr. Frank B. Hough while on a visit with friends at Red Oak is taken ill, and the end of life soon comes. He was loved for his noble christian life.

Mr. W. D. Wilson of Kingsley, Ia., buys the old established business of Munger and Goodwin. It removes an old landmark when the sign of Munger & Goodwin is taken down.

Mrs. Rachael Suhr and A. F. Clay are married. W. H, Replogle is the jeweler at the W. D. Wilson Drug Store. Mr. F. C. Harris buys the Cleaver home on Short Street.

Robert Plumb an honored citizen of the County, dies to day, September 16, 1896, at his home in Malvern.

Rev. A. A. Wallburn is the new pastor of M. E. Church.

The fire boys are the champion running team of South West Iowa, winning the Association Cup at the Red Oak tournament.

Geo. E. Pace is building a home on the old site of Roose & Wainwright lumber yard.

The mother of W. A. Barkus dies at his home in Malvern.

Married today at the Welpton home, their daughter Addie, to Dr. C. R. Hudgel of Lloyd, Wisconsin.

A family gathering of more than ordinary interest to day, October 13th, 1896, at the W. D. Evans home to celebrate the parents 50th wedding an-

niversary. Malvern has been their home for one half of their married life. Six only of the ten children could be present, Mrs. O. H. Snyder, Mrs. Lindsey, Mrs. Anna Goodwin, Mrs. J. R. Reed, Will and Paul Evans. Those absent were present in the spirit of the occasion by letters of love and congratulation, J. G. Evans, Franklin, Washington; Mrs. W. F. Swan, Biloxi, Mississippi; Geo. D. Evans, Olympia, Washington and Miss Ethel Evans, Paris, France.

A. M. Darling one of the early lads of the town and Miss Myrtle Williams are married at the brides home.

Our town has been honored by a short stop visit of presidential candidates, McKinley and Hobart, John M. Palmer and Simon B. Buckner and W. J. Bryan.

J. A. Black sells his grocery stock to A.G. Fleming. Election contracts are being paid. T. J. Hensley an earnest Bryan man and A. J. Kronsbein an enthusiastic McKinley man and a gaily decorated wheel barrow meet together at Kronsbeins store and Hensley takes Kronsbein for a ride up and down first avenue with a cheering crowd of sidewalk spectators.

Malvern Lodge Fraternal Union of America instituted November 16, 1896, with the following officers: Warren D. Wilson, Geo. LaFrance, I. U. Parsons, Mrs. Addie Evans, Chas. R. Brothers, Paul Evans, Chas. Anthers, J. C. Taylor, Grant Hanscomb and Mrs. Carrie Donner.

December, 1896, Mr. C. Ritter of Mifflin, Penn., ships a carload of fine draft horses out from Malvern. The average price per head \$55.00.

Our dental doctor, J. O. Laird is married to Miss Cora M. Roth of Packwood, Iowa.

Mrs. C. F. Goodwin goes to Germany for a year's sojourn for health and the study of the German language by the children, and a visit to her sister Ethel, an art student in Paris, France.

The wedding ceremony of Miss Eva Wills and Chas. Wainwright is so soon followed by the death of Mr. Wainwright at his new home at Waldo, Ark., and the funeral cortege to the Malvern Cemetery.

The stringency of the times and dullness of trade is pressing many business men to the wall. Others come in their place and take up the game to win. Mr. H. T. Beattie's place of business is closed. J. W. Gemmell & Son purchase the balance of the Cully stock and one of the Hamm family the Beattie stock. Sunshine and shadow follow each other in the changing kaleidescope of life and there is sunshine now upon the screen.

Gordon Jones and Miss Lillian Crow take upon themselves the marriage vows. Clyde Wills, one of the Leader force and Miss Eva B. Landis join hands in solemn service for life's journey. Older people are sometimes again young lovers. John Getman and Mrs. Catherine Vought are married at the bride's Malvern home.

Ed B. Brown has bought the Leavengood property for a home, January, 1897.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Munger and family, for many years residents and history makers of Malvern go out towards the setting sun for a new home. To those who have been associated with them in all the relations of business, church and as neighbors, it is no light matter to break the ties of long friendship.

Miss Lulu Woodrow is cashier at Hamm's store. The Cold Storage Co., with a force of about thirty helpers are storing away the congealed liquid for use when the moreury is at 100 in the shade.

Mr. W. H. Crose proves his citizenship by buying a home. The Leader plant moves down First Avenue to the Farmers National Bank building.

W. H. Buckley, who was the well liked agent at the Q. for a number of years dies at Roseville, Ill., and the death summons comes to our townsman L. B. Hixon, February, 1897.

At Mrs Carrie Donner's home, her daughter Mrs. Nettie Caldwell and Will Zanders are married.

Hon. John Parker our representative is at Des Moines helping to transact the business of the State. Frank Weatherhead sells his home to Mr. J. M. Strahan.

A. E. Byers who has been the right hand man at Gibson's grocery resigns and Jess Bell is trying to fill the vacancy.

Will H. Warde for thirteen years a mixer with the people of Malvern goes to Ridgeway, Col., and Charlie Adams and wife move to Riverton to take up the hotel business. Cleaver Bros. sell meat market to C. M. Nicholas of Blanchard.

Geo. W. Wyant makes a trade with J. B. Welpton, his store room on first Avenue and 5th Street for a Kansas farm.

Miss Clara West opens up a millinery stock of goods. April, 1897, incorporation of The Chicago Dry Goods Co., Mr. H. T. Beattie representative and manager.

The school board commence their annual job of securing teachers for the coming year, and the completed list: W. E. Kline, Principal, Mae Miller, Assistant; Miss Powell, Miss Kiskaddon, Mrs. Cooper, Miss Chantry and Miss Alexander.

P. J. Guenther of Guenther Bros. goes to Imogene for a wife, Miss Anna Skahill. Eli Vickery buys Richmond's home on Short Street.

Ed Bannister opens up a barber shop on First Avenue. Chas. Larison and family move to Victor, Col.

Mrs. E. R. Graves after a long illness passes away this morning at the home. Memorial day service is held at the M. E. Church, May 23, Rev. Walburn preaching the sermon. In the evening Pres. R. C. Hughes of Tabor College will deliver the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class for 1897: Elsie Chantry, Blanche Kerney, Eunice Summers, Clemmie Burger, Albert Benton, Josiah Benton, Matthew Higgins, Geo. Talbott, Ralph Goodrich and Ray Wilkinson.

We go out over the border to record the death of W. K. Follett, a long time friend and a well known and respected citizen of the County. It was but a moments warning and the life was gone.

Good number one white corn is worth 19 cents a bushel.

Deputy Sheriff Harris sold a team, harness and wagon on the street to day for the benefit of an eastern Organ Company claim and realized the sum of \$14.00 for the whole outfit.

S. B. Barnes sells lumber yard to the Green Bay Lumber Co., who will add this to their chain of yards.

Deceration Day address, May 29th, 1897, delivered by Hon. John Y. Stone was an eloquent tribute to the soldier dead.

Sam Schadel an old timer, a carpenter in the early building of Malvern visits us and recalls reminiscences of those early days.

Ralph Roberts for a long time with the Boehner Store takes a position with a business house at Shenandoah. Jake Speer is proprietor of the Malvern Feed Store.

Mrs. D. G. Schanck dies at the home of her daughter Mrs. Wyant. Fred Jeffrys is the new photo man.

Salary of Malvern Postoffice reduced from \$1400 to \$1300.

The teachers institute has just closed its session at Malvern and express thanks for the pleasant reception given them by the Woman's Club.

Faher Curran is the pastor of the Catholic Church. Tyler Bros. are the Racket Store men.

The firm of the Boehner Mercantile Co. is dissolved, Mr. Hawkins buying Mr. Boehner's interests and he will continue the business with Fred Mulholland as manager.

The Malvern Hose Company of the Malvern fire department, holds its place at the head of the procession, at the Atlantic tournament, keep the cup and wins their share of the cash prizes.

A. E. Byers sells his residence property to Fred Mulholland.

A lodge of Woodmen of the World organized with the following officers: O. J. Davis, F. C. Harris, J. C. Taylor, A. E. Cook, J. E. Knight, V, W, Beeson, George LaFrance and Dr. S. A. Campbell.

Gibson's cash price list August 19th, 1897: 17 pounds best Granulated sugar \$1.00, 6 pounds good bulk coffee \$1.00, one good broom for 10c, 3 thirty cent brooms for 50c, 2 fancy brooms for 25c, 60 grain vinegar for 20c, Young America cheese 10c, full Cream Cheese 2 pounds for 25c, 10 bars best soap for 25c, 2 pound package oatmeal 5c, 1 pound package best starch 5c, 1 pound package best corn starch 5c, 2 bars best soap 5c, 3 cans Columbia River Salmon 25c, 2 gallons best coal oil 25c, 5 gallons coal oil 60c, 24 pounds bolted meal 20, fresh soda crackers per pound by box 5c, 6 pounds best bulk starch 25c, Will pay for eggs balance of this week 7c.

M. J. Higgins a good dependable citizen of Malvern for many years, answers the last roll call, and is mustered out of life's service.

Mr. J. Ash of Essex buys the grocery stock of J. G. Fleming.

Malvern is again honored by the old settlers picnic and neighborly gathering of Mills, Fremont and Pottawatamie counties, 5000 of them get together. Hon. Smith McPherson is the orator of the day. Mrs. Sarah A. Abel gets the chair premium for longest continuous residence.

Mrs. Mary Wooding dies at her home in Peaceville suburbs, 84 years of age.

M. S. Conrad is the new helper at Gibson's. Ralph Roberts after a while away returns and takes a place at Hawkins store.

Miss Jennie Brohard and Rev. J. A. Mehan are united in the bonds of matrimony at the Baptist Church and leave for a home at Lake City, Ia.

Fenno Smith is the efficient manager of the Green Bay Lumber Co. Mr. and Mrs. Harris and daughter Mollie after a long absence return to Malvern.

The Mills County Agricultural Society officers decide not to have an exhibit this year, 1897.

Death of Mr. G. W. Flowers, a short time resident of Malvern. Mr. C. C. Reed and family, desirable citizens move to Cameron, Mo. Mr. Reed will continue as salesman for the S. N. Y. Co.

Mr. C. W. Black is making extensive additions to his home.

Our chicken fanciers J. C. Maguire and O. J. Davis are officers in the South Western Poultry Association and the first annual show is held at Malvern.

Apple crop not very good. October 21, 1897, Cold Storage buyers are paying from 75c to \$1.00 per bushel for Wine Saps, Ben Davis and Roman Stem.

Rev. W. W. Hallam, pastor of Christian Church. G. W. Wyant ships out four cars of corn for which he paid 17 and 17½ cents per bushel.

The Misses Hazel Campbell, Lillian Chantry and Nellie Churchill invite their friends to a corn husking bee in Dr. Campbell's barn. Miss Marion Black and James Evans are the champion huskers.

The wife of Charlie Adams former residents at Malvern dies at her later home in Omaha. Mr. Will Guyer of Glenwood takes Drury's place as operator at the Q.

1897, Union Thanksgiving service at the M. E. Church, Rev. E. W. Brown delivering the sermon.

A woman's Relief Corps, an auxillary of Milton Summers Post, organized. Mrs. Thos. Paul. President; Mrs. A. J. Chantry, Senior; Mrs. C. W, Black, Secretary; Mrs. R. J. Bently, Treasurer; Mrs. M. J. Higgins, Chaplain; Mrs. A. J. Kronsbein, Conductor; Mrs. M. F. Beckwith, Assistant; Mrs. M. Weaver, Guard; Mrs. G. W. Ewing, Assistant.

Our old band have blown away and a new one is organized for genuine business with W. H. Replogle as instructor, N. Jacobs Assistant, F. Degenhart Treasurer, H. C. Wills business manager.

Dakin Miller is a student at Amity College, and is as handy a kicker at football as a pitcher on the diamond.

Rev. Walburn performs the ceremony that unites two of our young people by the marriage vows, Mr. Arva Burrus and Miss Grace Landis.

Saturday, December 18th, 1897, the grim messenger death calls Mr. Wm. A. Hunter of Malvern, a strong courageous man for truth, justice and right living, pressing his views, in advance of the times on the great moral questions of the day. Age prevented an active business career here and his sons S. L. and S. C. Hunter assume the duties as good and useful citizens after the father's teachings.

Mrs. John Chambers dies at the home in Malvern, only a few hours from usual health, to the quiet sleep of death. Mr. and Mrs. Chambers were truly pioneers, coming to the county in 1853.

At Mrs. A. E. Wilson's home in Malvern, the marriage of her daughter Etta to Chas. W. Boles, December 29th, 1897.

Malvern students away at school are home for the holidays. John Montgomery, Albert Benton and Gay Smith from Simpson College, May and Fred Welpton from Tabor College, Addie Ward from Mt. Pleasant, Marie Christy from Nebraska University and Dakin Miller from Amity College.

January 6th, 1898, Wm. Bennett, an early resident of Malvern and a worker dies and is laid beside his wife in our silent city.

Our aged business friends, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander quit and their little stock of groceries is sold at auction and friends pay good prices.

Rev. Richard Venting is holding a series of revival meetings with great interest to the public.

Henry Sloneker is building a cottage home on 2nd Avenue. Mrs. B. F. Barnet dies.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Lake and family become residents of Malvern and Mr. Lake opens a shop for shoe repairing in Mr. Speers feed store.

J. F. McKibben builds a cottage home and a barn on lots south of Garman Hotel.

Miss Mattie Hawkins and Mr. Walter Boles take a joy ride to Sidney and get married.

Harlan Travis resigns his position at Croses furniture store.

The town calaboose is sold by Mayor DuShane to Talbott for \$5 and Talbott sells it at a profit of one dollar to Mr. Hedlund for a pig pen.

Mr. P. M. Cadwell from Woodbine is a new arrival as a citizen and is getting acquainted with the people at the blacksmith shop of E. E. Bushnell.

John Getman a long time resident of Malvern dies at his home in south west part of town, and Mr. John Chambers follows his wife who passed away a few months ago, through the portals of the dead.

H. A. Norton trades his livery stable and stock to G. W. Wyant for 80 acres of Kansas land.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Bushnell are mourning the death of their little four year old son Paul.

J. E. Skadan is building a buggy and carriage wareroom adjoining his implement warehouse.

Some of our citizens have a bad attack of the Klondike fever and are going to have a consultation with a gold doctor in Alaska. Mr. A. B. Hawkins, Fenno Smith and Bert Tutton are about ready to start.

Mr. J. W. McNulty succeeds R. Fenno Smith as local manager of Green Bay Lumber Co.

Totton Bros. sell their grocery stock to Mr. H. A. Deardorff from Yale, Iowa. A masque valentine party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brown in honor of their daughter Georgie's 13th birthday.

The Mills County Savings Bank is closed and the business taken up and continued as a private bank under the name of Wearin and Barnes bankers

Newly elected officers of the town, Fred Zanders, Mayor; C. S. Royce, Recorder; Jas. J. Wilson, Treasurer; J. S. Miller, Assessor; J. T. Ward and F. C. Harris councilmen

Mr. Beats from Villisca is lessee of the creamery. Mr. C. W. Haynes and family become residents of the town.

J. D. Paddock succeeds Geo. S. Wilson as Post Master, March 1st, 1898, and Frank S. Higgins comes from the Leader office as deputy.

The Ladies Cemetery Association elect officers: Mesdames Strahan, Angel, Woodrow, Miller, Hough, Ewing, Axtel and Miss Place. Frank Morford, Sexton.

Miss Ella Miller is acting as Assistant Cashier at Wearin and Barnes Bank.

The courts are working diligently to get the business of J. C. Taylor straightened out. Miss Grace Mulholland is a new helper at the Hawkins Store.

At the Robinson home in the Peaceville precinct, the daughter Miss Jessie is united in marriage to Mr. Emory Crawmer.

War has been declared with Spain. The nation wants soldiers and the following named young men have enlisted: Eddie Harris, Ward Jones, Dick Paul, Claude Vandevert, Newton Pool, Ira Mullen, Burr Ireland, Will Kline Jr., Clarence VanOrsdel, Frank VanDoren, Elwood Barrack and Oakley Vandevert and Lieut. Harry Dull of Glenwood, formerly a Malvern boy.

Mr. B. W. Potter and family from Oregon make Malvern their home. Memorial day sermon delivered by Rev. Hallam, the Christian pastor. Mrs. B. F. Jones dies at her home in the north west part of town.

Rev. E. W. Brown preaches a practical helpful baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class for 1898, Myrtle L. Byers, Maud A. Crow, Anna Moore, Grace Van Orsdel and John R. Wills.

"The Bell" the new general store opens up their stock in the Byers building. Miss Sadie Paddock is the assistant at the Post Office wicket.

Joe Vickery and Frank Harris, two bright town lads are drowned today in the treacherous water holes in Silver Creek near the Tabor bridge.

President McKinley's second call for troops is responded to promptly and a company is formed of the following enlistments and is drilling and getting ready for effective service: Captain A. A. Walburn, 1st Lieut. Richard E. Gidley, 2nd Lieut. James B. Evans, Orderly Seargent Geo. Richard E. Gidley, 2nd Lieut. James B. Evans, Orderly Seargen Geo. Perdue and other officers and privates as per list below. Willis Summers, Forrest R Chantry, E. W. Shanks, John Miller, F. A. Hammond, Ford Ewalt, Chas. Smith, Guy Welpton, J. Gay Smith, James Follett, A. M. White, Albert Marshal, Frank Van Doren, J. H. Jones, Ray Wilkinson, Harry Landis, Bernie Donner, Edwin Hill, C. Shechan, Chas. Adams, I. R. Rains, R. E. Boies, Ray W. Shamblin. S. J. Anderson, Bob Masters, John L. Baird. Show, John E. Smith, E. R. Clay, Wm. Andrews, Geo. C. Masters, W. M. Evans, Henry Meadows, Timothy Walters, J. R. Wills, Alva D. Donner, Geo. W. Talbott, O. T. Boles, J. W. Harlan, Will Donner, Claud Pease, D. S. Meadows, Aaron Kohl, Dell Harris, Earl S. Hubbard, Marion Baker, Armstrong, O. C. Page, Dwight Swain, Alton W. P. Finchem, Wilbur McGill, E. C. Fuller, H. C. Lyon, Rollin Coppoc, Bert Hammond, Arthur Wolfe, Robt. Ranne, Jean Vilbow. The Malvern boys previously enlisted are now at Camp McKinley in the 51st Iowa waiting orders.

"Get your Laundry work done at home," is the request of the steam laundry manager, W. A. Barkus.

Ceo. W. Dyar Bakery and Restaurant west of Leader office.

The happy mating of some of our young people. Frederick E. Mulholland and Annie E. Aistrope are united in marriage by Rev. W. J. Watson, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Aistrope. At the home of Mr. S. C. Hunter, Harry A. Wilson and Miss Jennie Jordan take the marriage vows.

Mathew Higgins the popular clerk of the cottage meets with a terrible accident while at the wabash train, one foot so crushed that amputation was necessary. He has the sympathy of the community expressed to him by a contribution of a neat little sum of money for his benefit.

Our attorney H. J. Baird has pleaded his own case at court so eloquently, that he wins his suit with Miss Edna L. Wrenwick of Glenwood and they form a life partnership.

Mr. A. L. Monroe from Omaha buys the photo business of Mr. Jeffrys and Charlie Cleaver buys the Chambers residence.

Our business men are studying the law of the stamp act that becomes effective today, to meet the expense of our war with Spain. History which is about to repeat itself in a short time now.

The firm of N. B. Smith is now Smith Bros. Willie Caldwell who has

been a faithful helper with Mr. O. J. Davis at the Wabash for three years, is promoted to the position of night operator at Shenandoah.

Special rate of 95c railroad fare for the round trip from Malvern to the Omaha exposition.

U. G. King, the contractor is building a neat cottage home for Arva Burrus south of the school building.

Geo. L. Cleaver has been quite a frequent visitor at Red Oak, and the consumation of the visits is his marriage today, August 24th, 1898, to Miss Helen Byrkitt at the Byrkitt home.

Mr. Gemmill removes from Malvern and Miss Maloy one of his helpers goes to the Hawkins Store.

A baby girl takes up her residence at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Strahan.

One of the pleasant gatherings at the opening of the year 1899, was a men's social at the fine home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Strahan, in response to cards of invitation announcing that it would be their pleasure to entertain Mr. Strahan's old time friends at dinner on Thursday, January 12th, 1899. It was a men's party, but there were a few ladies present and they made it a success in every way. Guests were requested to register, the year of their coming to the county, place of nativety and age. Fifty six were present. The earliest settler was Dr. Campbell, whom the stork brought in 1851. The oldest one present was Mr. David Duncan, aged 86 years. The long one Mr. W. G. Summers 6 feet, 5 inches. The short one Mr. M. Cunningham 5ft, 3 inches. The heavy weight Mr. John Dyson 237 1/2 lbs. and the light weight J. D. Paddock 135 lbs. The places of their nativity, 50 of them born in the states and six in foreign lands. The dinner was a bountiful one and the well fed guests, after a pleasant time of social chat, expressed to the host and hostess their appreciation of their welcome and hospitality. With cheers and a hearty hand clasp each one went their way, with the memory of the passing of a pleasant day.

March 6, 1899, occurred the terrible tragedy of the death of Mrs. M. P. Steele and baby at Tyndall, South Dakota, from gasoline explosion. Mrs. Steele will be remembered as Miss Chatta Guilford and her acquaintance with the people over the counter at the bank of Strahan & Christy.

Mrs. Steele and two little ones were in the room when the explosion occurred. Mrs. Steele and baby were fatally burned, and death came soon to relieve their terrible sufferings. The little son escaped the flames from the deadly gasoline, now grown, and a resident of Malvern.

Cessation of hositilities between our country and Spain, and a treaty of Peace is signed by President McKinley, February 10th, and the Queen Regent of Spain, March 27th, 1899. Only four months of actual war, but a long four months of suspense to those of our people who had loved ones on the battle line. As it will be to those who at this writing are anxiously watching the trend of the world conflict and listening and waiting for

overtues of Peace, to be made on the basis of the proclamation of centuries ago, "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

Have no further records from August, 1898 to August 1900.

Orel Jones is pharmacist at W. D. Wilson's store. Rev. E. W. Brown resigns as pastor of Presbyterian church. A. D. Avrill assumes the duties of his father, as landlord of the cottage.

The corps of teachers for the coming year 1900: J. B. Morris, Superintendent; May Miller, Principal; A. I. Jones, Assistant; Amelia Green. Jessie Cheney, Marie Foss, Emma Young and Florence Ockerson.

C. M. Nicholas sells his meat market to Cozad and Fleharty. Mr. Mc Mahill is proprietor of the art studio. Dr. Corbin presents the medical practice of Osteopathy.

Miss Agnes Maguire is with Miss Clara West in the millinery store. Miss Lavina Potter and Mr. W. E. Ryan are married at the Potter home.

An important business change is effected to day September 1st, 1900, when E. B. Brown transfers his interests in the Malvern Leader to W. P. Wortman.

There has been a good many changes in owners and editors of our town papers since H. A. and Wm. Copeland, struck off the first issue of the MillsC ounty Chronicle, October 15th, 1870, with pluck and wind constituting the greater part of their capital. June. 1872, "Billy" received his appointment as Post Master of Malvern and he associates with him, Mr. Robt. Aiton as helper in its management. After a short term as Post Master he takes up again the work of the paper for a while and sells out to James I. Rist who, was followed in short terms as managers and owners by J. K. DeWolf and Robt. Aiton. Early in 1874, it passed to the ownership of Mr. Fred Boehner and was in about six months moved by him, plant, name and all to Emerson, Ia. A few months previous to the removal of the Chronicle by Mr. Boehner, Mr. H. G. Rising from Illinois sets up a plant and starts a new paper named the Leader. October 5th, 1877, the first number of another paper is issued, named the Mills County Republican, with Mr. Robt. Aiton as editor, and during the years 1878 and '79 we find at different times the names of J. K. DeWolf, Chas. E. Crosby and E. P. Leland at the mast head as pilots of the craft. Mr. Rising edits the Leader a year or two and sells his interests to Ed F. Korns and J. M. Kelley and they in turn on February 20th, 1878, convey their interests to Mr. J. D. Morris, who gives out his announcement as editor in chief. Competition is good to a certain degree, in all lines of business, but when overdone it tends to cripple the efficiency, and prevent a high standard of usefulness. Two papers in a small town or territory are too much for party interests and business men to keep up to the standard. In 1880, the two papers. The Leader and The Mills County Republican were merged in one as The Republican Leader, Parrish and Morris proprietors. In 1882, the plant is purchased by Messrs. S. C. Hunter and

E. B. Brown from Red Oak under firm name of Hunter & Brown. In 1885, the voters elected Mr. Brown to the office of County Auditor. The duties of that office calling him to Glenwood, he sells his interests to his partner and the new firm name is S. C. Hunter & Co. At the close of his term of office, contrary to the usual custom, Mr. Brown leaves Glenwood and returnes to his old home town again. The Hunters wishing to retire from the active duties of the paper, Mr. Brown with Bert Mulholland and Clyde Wills, as associates purchase the business under the firm name of E. B. Brown & Co., June 30, 1889, Mr. Brown takes entire control, and continues its publication until Sept. 1st, 1900, he sells out to Mr. W. P. Wortman, who up to the present writing is yet in control of the paper, the Malvern Leader, the longest continuous term of service.

The South West Iowan, a newspaper was started in 1898, representing the interests politically of the free silver wing of the demacratic party. Mr. Chas. M. Rice was the editor and manager for two years or more when it came under the management successively of L. W. Boehner, Bert Mulholland and F. P. St. Clair, until about 1905, Mr. J. R. Graham took charge and worked valiently for its success, until 1909, when it was decided to discontinue its publication. As we look back over these intervening years, and call to mind our acquaintance with these men as citizens of the town and the important unterests they have largely controlled in the publication of good clean healthy newspapers, they have been potent factors for good in the community and in the history building of the town. Those of them who have not finished the journey of life are now making history in other places as citizens of the commonwealth.

At the home of Mrs. H. V. Evans, to day September 25, 1900, her daughter Mattie is married to Mr. Mark Hovey of Chicago, Rev. E. W. Brown officiating.

Mr. M. E. Seeley of Griswold offers to build a Steam flouring mill at Malvern for a town site and \$800.00 cash.

Mr. D. R. Martin is one of our busy carpenters.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Churchill, their daughter Nellie is married to Mr. W. A. Black, both bride and groom grown from childhood to manhood and womanhood in Malvern homes.

Mr. W. E. Burks sells his nice home place in Peaceville to W. A. Beckett, the Q mail route clerk.

Mina Nichols buys Mrs. Randall's home on Douglas Street. Mr. Seely, the owner of the new flouring mill moves his family to Malvern.

Miss Lillian Belle Beckwith and Dennis Frost are married at the home of the bride.

The diversity of opinion as to the best method of saving our country is expressed in the seven headings of the national ballott for year 1900 election: Republican, Democratic, Prohibition, Peoples, Socialistic Labor, United Christian, and Social Democratic.

At the home of Mrs. Eliza J. Aistrope, November 14, 1900, the marriage of her daughter Miss Birdie Aistrope to Mr. Seymour J. Rhodes of Fort Lupton, Colo., by Rev. P. H. McDowell. As they leave for their Colorado home the young friends of the bride get hilarious and tag their baggage to their destination with old shoes and white ribbon and throw enough rice in confetta showers to feed a chinaman for many moons.

Talbott, Bushnell & Wortz, Implement Dealers. The Bank of Malvern, I. F. Hendricks, Pres.; W. H. Guyer, Cashier. David Elson, J. P. Retelsdorf & Robrahn, Tailors. Miss A Jones, Millinery.

Malvern Fire Department elect officers: W. C. Wortz, Chief; Chas. Brothers and Frank Churchill, Assistants; F. S. Higgins, Treasurer; W. H. Guyer, Secretary; F. Degenhart, N. D. Smith and H. C. Wills, Trustees.

Brevier Brown is assisted by his classmates in celebrating his 15th birthday, Edward Higgins, Carl Harris, Harry Wearin, Corwin Byers, Albert Baird, Della Ciements, Ethel Norton, Ethel Cunningham, Edith Davis, Mary Evans, Myrtle Bushnell, Olive Hammond, Harriett Benton, Inc. Mason.

Jess Bell purchases the Whitmer property. H. A. Norton buys Mrs. Buells home place on boundary Street.

Mrs. Mattie Evans Hovey dies to day November 27, 1900, at hre Chicago home. The many friends who wished her joy and happiness at the wedding festivities a few months ago, now follow in the funeral procession as the body is laid away in our place of the dead.

Miss Eula VanVranken is teacher of 9th and 10th grades.

Squire Elson married his first couple today, Mrs. Mary Drake and Mr. Joe Myers.

Albert Marshall goes to Council Bluffs for a wife, Miss Mary L. Wilson. The M. W. A. Lodge elect officers: H. J. Baird, L. Stewart, W. H. Guyer, James Maguire, Mat Conrad, J. E. Norris and H. E. Thomas.

Harlan Foulks has his 4th birthday party and his playmates, Ruth Boehner, Mary McNulty, Mabel Zanders, Eunice Travis, Katherine Smith, Katherine and Eleanor Mellor, Tommy Cunningham, Homer Wills and Robert Hough, help him celebrate.

The startling casuality and topic of the afternoon has been the death of little Inez Gibson at the home of her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Gibson and the tragic manner of the little one's death. The brother Otto and Inez had been playing upon the porch and lawn below when Inez tiring of the play wanted Otto to go with her up stairs to the playroom, and she run up the stairs, but the brother remained below just a little while when he too climbed the stairs, and was dazed and horrified to find his little sister hanging in the open closet from her room with the jumping rope about her neck. He worked frantically to take her down, but unable to do so rushed to his uncle and aunt at the store. Mr. Gibson quickly reached the scene, and placed the little form upon her bed, and when doctors Scott and Love arrived every effort possible was made to

bring too the life, but it was of no avail, it had gone. There could be no verdict rendered but accidental death. The deepest sympathy of the whole community goes out to Mr. and Mrs. Gibson in this sad and tragic bereavement that has come to them. The funeral service at the home by Rev. H. P. McDowell and the little casket that is covered with beautiful flowers is taken to place of burial.

Students home for holiday vacation: Thomas Gidley, Edmund Roberts and John Summers from Ames; Lillian and Marshall Cunningham, State University at Lincoln; Mary Goodwin, Council Bluffs; Nellie Bentley, Simpson College; Olive Hyde Hyde, Drake University; Florence Hunter, Tabor; Hazel Campbell, Omaha Medical School.

January 1901, The S. N. Y. Co. send out four salesmenon the road, J. A. Tyler, Frank Goodwin, W. D. Roberts and M. Creelman.

New Year's day ladies that keep open house, Mesdames C. W. Black, W. C. Haynes, N. D. Smith, Dr. Scott, A. J. Wearin, H. E. Boehner and Dr. Campbell.

Dwight Swain is helper at W D. Wilson's Drug Store.

James Anderson, a citizen of Malvern is accidentally shot, dying instantly, by the discharge from a gun in the hands of John Garvin.

At the Elson home their daughter Viola is married to Mr. Chas. O. Hartman, Rev. McDowell tying the tie.

- L. H. Biddinger and family move to Pacific Junction. Mellor & Co. transfer their business interests to C. S. Royce and Walter Smith, Mr. Royce taking the drug stock and Mr. Smith the Jewelry.
 - J. C. Brown is in the real estate and Insurance business.

Mrs. Julia Betts, the founder of the Cottage Hotel dies at her daughter's home in Chicago, but at her request, the funeral service was held over the casket in the Malvern Christian Church, which was a place very dear to her, and then taken to Glenwood for burial.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Landis move into their new home on prospect Ave. Geo. Smith buys the Tunison Restaurant business. G. W. Bates dies at his home in Malvern. Mr. Bates was a retired minister of the M. E. Church, a winning, scholarly man, an officer in the Civil War.

Dr. Love and family remove to Beatrice, Nebr., a good opening occurring to take up an established practice.

To day, February 20th, 1901, Miss Mary Idell Bentley and Mr. Alva Donner are married at the Bentley home.

An assistant to the Mayor takes possession of the O. J. Davis home.

We make record of the death of Judge Lewis W. Tubbs at his Emerson home, February 28, 1901, a genial kindly man, a good friend, an early settler, a history maker of State and County and a starter of the town.

Miss Ellen Hawkins, a life long resident of Malvern and Mr. Chas. Harvey make an evening call on Pastor McDowell and go away as husband and wife.

A marriage ceremony at the G. W. Wyant home uniting the daughter Miss Alice and Mr. Henry Aistrope.

Mr. W. W. Wills after 26 years of citizenship in Malvern makes a new home in Des Moines.

Dr. Laird purchases the residence of S. B. Barnes and W. E. Burks buys the Bennett property on Douglas Street.

A. E. Cook and C. M. Rice are elected as members of the school board. A sudden death summons comes to day, March 22d, to the H. E. Boehner home, Mrs. Boehner dying quite suddenly. One of the little band who came together for homes in Malvern in 1870.

Malvern market quotations, March, 1901: Corn 31c, Wheat 55c, Oats 25c, Potatoes 50c, Best butter 15c, Eggs 10c, Cattle \$4.00 to \$4.75, Hogs \$5.50.

Mr. Seeley touches the button and electric power starts the new flouring mill machinery, March, 1901.

Mrs. J. T. Ward's gentle spirit takes its flight from the frail body that had been kept alive a long time by her wonderful courage and ambition to live, for loved ones in the home and friends associated with her in Christian service.

Twelve homeless children arrive in Malvern to day, April 4th, 1901, from the Children's Aid Society New York, to find homes, and all were placed in good homes.

Pastors of the churches: A. E. Slothower of M. E. Church, P. H. Mc Dowell of Baptist Church, Alexander Corkey of Presbyterian Church, Wessel Stephenson of Christian Church.

O. J. Davis buys the A. L. Chantry residence, consideration \$1800.00. The Ladies Cemetery Association e ect officers, Mrs. J. M. Strahan, Mrs. Leslie Summers, Mrs. Anna Goodwin, Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, Mrs. Sophia Otis, Mrs. Angel, Mrs. James Miller, J. D. Barrack sexton.

Best grade of flour from the new mill, \$1.00 per sack. C. C. Baird, assessor of Malvern renders report taken, Real Estate \$384,000, Personal Property \$333,980.00

A. J. Kronsbein, the hardware man is building a fine home on Douglas Street, Will Mc Cullough contractor.

Death comes into another home and takes the mother, Mrs. S. T. Brothers, one of the pioneers of the county and of Malvern.

Mrs. Fishback, Store for the latest styles of Millinery goods. The Presbyterian church remember their oldest brother, David Duncan, on his 89th birthday and hand him a loving token of a purse each of pennies, silver and gold.

Mr. Geo. Conrad and wife move from their farm home, to a home in town. Harry Lyon is a new helper at Gibson's. Mr. H. B. Gregory leases the creamery plant. Gerhard Nellen, wife and daughter move to a new home at Wellington, Kansas.

Across the border to make record of the death today, May 16th, 1901, of Mr. W. G. Summers, one of the quartet of the four Summers brothers who pioneered to the new west in 1855 and 1856.

Clarence Boone makes purchase of the stock of the Guenther Bros. Livery Barn. Mr. C. M. Pierce, Variety Store man.

S. B. Barnes and I. W. Skadan are loading their household goods today for a Nebraska Ranch life for a while. T. J. Moses is our resident stock buyer.

The Malvern Woman's Club elect officers: Mrs. W. P. Wortman, President; Miss Black, Vice President; Mrs. Hendricks, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Scott, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Laird, Treasurer and Mesdames Campbell, Young, Royce and Miss Retelsdorf, leaders of departments.

Our grocers are bidding high, 9c dozen for eggs and 12c pound for good butter.

W. G. Wagner, a well liked agent of the Q. at Malvern for a long time is promoted high up in railroad service.

Some dropped threads caught up from missing records, that must have their part in the narrative of events, and we write them in here.

Mr. Chas. Hanley, now of Shenandoah Rev. C. S. Hanley was for the year 1876, a partner with Mr. E. Korns in the publication of the Leader, but having a favorable opportunity to purchase the Riverton Advocate, he sells his half interest to Mr. Korns.

In July, 1899, Mr. Fred Durbin comes as student from school and his farm home to Malvern, and takes a position in the Strahan and Christy Bank. He fills the position with credit and stays with them In addition to his regular salary, he is permitted to draw a draft on the banker for his daughter. November 27, 1901, the draft is honored by his marriage at the Christy home to Miss Marie Christy.

W. G. Bingaman is proprietor of the south side feed store.

There are fifteen graduates in the 1901 class: Ethyl A. Norton, Brevier Brown, Harriet Benton, Corwin Byers, Olive Hammond, Ed Higgins, Ina Mason, Myrtle Bushnell, Albert Baird, Della Clement, Harry Wearin, Edith Davis, Carl Harris, Ethel Cunningham, Mary Evans.

John Perdue is mail carrier from the Q.

The wedding ceremony at the W. C. Haynes home today, June 26th, 1901, is quite a social event. The marriage of the daughter, Miss Mayme Haynes to Mr. Adel Avrill, united by the strong bonds of love and wedlock by Rev. Alex. Corkey.

Prof. Moser, musical instructor, assisted by Mrs. Moser, Mrs. C. E. Burrus and Mr. Nettleton, the violinist of Tabor, gave a very pleasing musicale last evening at the Moser home.

J. L. Buckingham & Son, Restaurant and Lunch room, west of the Leader office.

The Bridges brothers. Vernon and Frank with their talented wives, have been touring the country with good success, in creating an educational interest in music and giving the people interesting programs of musical entertainment.

Fenno Smith goes to Omaha for bargains and takes Miss Marie Morrow for a wife, and starts himself in business by purchase of the grain elevator of Mr. Barnes.

From the starting of Malvern, it has drawn away from time to time the resources of White Cloud, which has helped much in our village life, and now comes the discontinuance of the Post Office there, which closes the interesting history of a pioneer village of 45 years. Mr. W. G. Summers was the first post master in 1858, and several successors to Mr. Summers have held the keys for long and shorter terms. Mr. James S. Miller now a resident of Malvern being the longest term holder of the office, over 14 years, Mr. Bishop and Mr. Mears, being the last ones in charge. benefits and practical results of rural free delivery service in the eastern states had been demonstrated and it is extended by government to the more western states. In the fall of 1901, the preliminary work of planning routes, getting signatures of those wishing to avail themselves of the privilege and making requests for inspection were made by the Malvern office, and two routes were established out from Malvern and service commenced January, 1902, Richard Paul carrier for Route 1 and James Whitmer on Route 2, for delivery in the roadside boxes at the homes of country patrons. A great stride of advancement in the benefits to social and educational life in the homes on the farm. In consequence of this many offices were discontinued throughout the state.

A fire breaks out in Miss West's millinery store, with disastrous results from fire and water to the delicate fabrics of ladies hats.

The death toll list makes record of the passing away of Mr. A. H. Landis, a well known and respected resident of the county and the town. Of Mr. L. P. Anderson at his later home in Enid, Oklahoma, who was for many years a resident and a working force in sustaining and building up the better elements of life. Of Mrs. James Ryan, at the home of her daughter Mrs. W. L. Summers. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan were residents of the town for some years in their home on 3rd avenue.

Our national holiday 1901 is celebrated in due form, Rev. Story of Glenwood the patriotic orator of the day.

Frank Bridges invests in Real Estate, buying the brick business building of Wm. Kneeland, occupied by the firm of Smith Brothers.

A base ball game is on to day between the printers and those who advertise. The vendors of merchandise are winners after a warm and sweaty contest.

Chester Cooksey sells his interest in the music business to his brother Frank.

Mr. Harry Hoover, the painter and Miss Daisy Blackburn visit Rev. E. L. Stanton, at Glenwood and return to Malvern as a pair of newly weds.

T. D. Gibson, the grocer sells out to A. E. Byers.

Our barber shops consolidate, Larison and Minner in one and Thomas and Piatt in the other.

W. D. Kayton sells his restaurant business to T. O. Clark and Retelsdorf Bros. open a new business in the same line.

Miss Nettie Weller goes from the Iowa Telephone at Malvern to a position at Red Oak.

Miss Edith Frizzell buys residence property of Mrs. Snyder on Chase Street.

Geo. Talbott is 21 to day and his mother invites some of his chums in to mark the occasion, Ralph and C.R. Brothers, Will Guyer, Tot Maloy, Dan Robb, Dwight Swain, Ralph Roberts, Ed Wolf, H. C. Wills, Walt Mulholland, Robt. and Geo. Masters and Otto Retelsdorf and they made of it a red letter day.

The Mills County Fair for 1901 was a winner in attendance and exhibits, all obligations paid and a little surplus, and the attraction of the closing contest for the prettiest and cutest baby on the fair grounds. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rice were the proud possessors of that treasure, the judges said.

That visitor death who comes to all, the young as well as old, comes to the home of John Perdue and takes the wife and mother Hattie Dunn Perdue.

To make the pattern more complete we catch up some more broken threads, that should have been in the records of 1894 and 1899, as they have had much to do since, in the every day life of the community. Karl Hertz and family for some years residents of the county, move into the village in 1894 and Mr. Hertz was a helper with Mr. Knight in the heavy lifting of County work, until 1899, he buys the dray business of B. F. Barnet, the veteran drayman and is now himself at this writing getting gray in the service.

It is only a small part at the best, of the world's business that one can accomplish in the ordinary span of life, but whatever that part might be, if it is well done, it is worthy of praise and of emulation. Mr. Barnett is worthy of special mention in the business history of the town, for his long continued faithful and conscientious service. Children have grown to men and women since he brought his first deliveries of goods, to the stores and shops. Hot or cold, wet or dry, it made no difference much in the regular traffic of the dray line, that from day to day and year to year, made the owner, the most familiar acquaintance upon the street

Malvern people mourn with the whole nation the tragic death of our President Wm. McKinley.

J. C. Brown buys the business of Clarence Boone the Livery man.

A bright baby boy comes to the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Mulholland.

C. E. Burris the Q Agent here is promoted to the Shenandoah Station and E L. Hibbs takes his place.

Al Marshall moves to Council Bluffs. The Cold Storage Company have about 8000 barrels of apples in Storage. Dr. Humphrey buys the Wm. Donner property on First Avenue.

Wm. Kneeland moves his clothing stock into the Strahan building and has a grand display opening. Will Thomas buys the E. I. Bowman property. Charles Robbins and family locate in Malvern.

A very large gathering from country and towns round about to hear Hon, W. J. Bryan speak.

Mr. John Dunn buys the McCurdy property. Mrs. H. R. Roberts sells her home on Marion Avenue to Mrs. Garman.

Mr. Hank Richmond after an absence from Malvern for some time returns and opens up a harness shop in the Baird building.

Mr. J. W. Pointer is our new picture man. Bert Fugate is watching while business men sleep.

December 26, 1901, the enrollment of the pupils of the schools is 280. The corps of teachers are G. L. Cilles, Miss Mae Miller, Miss Eula Van Vranken, Miss Amelia Green, Miss Jessie Cheney, Miss May Ladd, Mrs. Emma Young and Miss Elizabeth Hutchings.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Byers, December 25, 1901, occurs the marriage of their daughter Myrtle to Mr. Bennett M. Terry of Little Sioux, Iowa, Rev. A. B. Adams officiating.

New Year's day 1902, was the 40th anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Christopher, and friends left with them some mementoes of the occasion.

Miss Nellie Blades and Mr. J. W. Shenifield are married at the home of Mrs. R. Foxworthy, the bride's mother.

The festivities of the hapty New Year se son is observed in many homes, in family gathering and 6 o'clec't dinners. Among them at Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rice, W. D. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. F. Higging, Mr. and Mrs. Campbell and Mr. and Mrs. Laird.

Union farewell services at the Baptist Church as Rev. P. H. McDowell leaves Maivern to take up work at Winterset. Jowa.

Hon, C. W. Black and wife leave today. January 2, 1902, for the coming session of the State Legislature at Des Moines. Three former students, and foot ball players of Amity College meet together in town to day, Dakin Miller, Frank Van Doren and Frank Bartley. Miller has signed up with the white stockings club of base ball for 1902.

Rev. Stephenson, pastor of Christian Church resigns and goes to church at Pierson, Iowa.

The Malvern Odd Fellows Lodge have installation service, J. L. Talbott installing officer; L. Dunn, D. W. Wagner Reed Graves, W. C. Wortz,

Charles Slater, John Robrahan, E. C. Graves, Arno Schaller, Grant Lewis, Rayburn Hurst, H. E. Mulholland, W. H. Guyer, A. J. Boston and W. R. McMullen.

Elmer Abbott is manufacturer of brooms in the Hubbell building.

February 6, 1902. Sleighing is fine and sleigh rides and coasting parties are the pleasure of the bright moonlight evenings.

Mr. W. H. Crose has sold his furniture business to Mr. G. T. White of Massena, Iowa. Elder C. E. Pomeroy is the new minister of the Christian Church.

The creamery business again changes hands, Mr. Gregory selling to Waterloo Creamery Co. Tom Butler sells residence property to Dan Lewis the oil man.

Miss Alice Dull is trimmer at Mrs. J. J. Maurath's millinery store. Miss Elizabeth Somes has returned from her vacation and is again waiting on customers at The Chicago Dry Goods Co. Store.

March 6th, 1902. We are all watching the surveys of the Q. R. R. to see whose door yard the new route is going to take.

Miss Lillian Chantry is tendered the position of secretary for the Y. W. C. A. at Cedar Falls, Iowa. Evangelist Conn and his singer Mr. McKinley are holding revival meetings.

Married to day, March, 1902, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Worth Kerney, their daughter Blanche to Dr. John Montgomery of Madison, Nebr. These young people have had such an active part in the school and social life of the town, that we make record of them in one of the three most important events of a life.

David Hearn from Avoca is a new helper with Hawkins & Mulholland. E. E. Bushnell and family move to Butte, Nebr., we would rather have them stay.

April 3, 1902, the result of the town election J. L. Talbott, Mayor; W. D. Wilson and P. M. Cadwell, Councilmen; J. S. Miller, Assessor; J. J. Wilson, Treasurer; W. H. Guyer, Recorder

H. J.Travis goes from White's furniture store, to take charge of the undertaking department at Talbott's.

Mr. Emerson Brown and family whose bright threads of life for years are interwoven with Malvern history take their departure. Mrs. Brown deeply touched by the thoughts of separation makes a will bequeathing to some of her dear friends and neighbors in the Woman's Club, a portion of her worldy possessions. Waiving the slow process of the law, the Misses Edna Scott and Ivy Campbell deliver the gifts at the meeting. The recipients of these valuable bequests, should they see these lines will recall to mind the parting of the ways, with their dear friend Mrs. Brown.

H. C. Wills a Malvern boy and man leaves to take a position with the Chesshire job printing office at Des Moines. P. V. Hawley, a resident of Malvern in the early days, dies at his late home, Rochester, N. Y.

V. W. Beeson builds an addition to his business place and puts in a stock of farm implements.

Miss Elva Pease and Mr. C. V. Parker married to day, April 2, 1902, at the home of the bride's mothers, by Rev. A. E. Slothower.

We pass over the border to make record of the death to day, April 8th, 1902, of Mr. Otha Wearin, a picneer to the county years before the railroad came and brought the later ones.

C. M. Pierce buys the Rains meat market and will run it in connection with his other business. Colyer Boston purchases a home on Center Street and the C. A. Love property is sold to Boehner and Mulholland.

April 10, 1902, Mr. Xanthus Imel comes to Malvern and takes a position as foreman of the printing and job work department of the Leader plant, and is one of the staying kind, at this writing fifteen years later is yet on the job.

Mr. J. P. Retelsdorf is building another brick residence as an investment.

H. E. Mulholland, the manager of the South West Iowan, and a former well known Malvern young lady, Miss Blanche Taylor are married at the home of the bride's parents in Sioux City, Iowa.

The death summons comes today to Mr. T. J. Wilson at his home on Marion Avenue. Rev. H. R. Waldo accepts a call to the Baptist Church as pastor.

C. G. Harris from Holdredge, Nebr., is the new jeweler at W. D. Wilson's. Agent Wheat of the Wabash buys lots and is building a cottage home near the depot.

Mr. S. S. Weidner and family make Molvern their home and Mr. Weidner soon commences work for the Malvern Dairy Co. and he must have been an efficient workman as he is yet serving customers at this writing, fifteen years later.

Master Perry Hendricks has attained the age of eleven years and his school mates come and help him make the occasion a memorable one.

Palmer and Company sell their lumber business to Crooks and Savage of Stuart, Iowa. Gladys Baird has her 9th birthday party.

Rev. Alex. Corkey delivers the baccalaureate address to the graduating class of 1992. Laura Otis, Addie Churchill, Pearl Harris, Hugh Gibson, Lawrence Talbott, Walter Crow, Pearl Vandervert and Lottie Deardorff. Attorney Whitfield presents diplomas.

Friends have been anxiously watching the serious illness of Mr. Thomas Paul, which conquers and takes the life of a good citizen.

D. W. Perley is another stock buyer. Allen Chantry one of our Malvern boys, wins first place in his class of nine in examination at the U. S. Naval School, Annapolis, Md.

Lottic Deardorff takes position at the Strahan and Christy bank. Mrs. M. J. Newman purchases a home of Mrs. Pearl Montgomery.

Mrs. Jane Sherman, "Aunty Sherman" dies to day, June 3, 1902, at her home place on 4th St.. Mrs. Sherman came to Malvern in 1876, to help in caring for an invalid mother and an aged father, Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin. When death came to them, she was alone with a Christians faith and trust only for company. Relatives wished to arrange it differently, but it was her choice. From a home of affluence and plenty, of love and companionship, a participant in the brilliant society life of Washington, the Capitel City, the vicissitudes of life in the death of the husband, the only tie of love of the home and the loss of property wrought the changes from the palatial home and companionship to the loneliness and privation of her little home shelter in Malvern. She kept patient, cheerful and trustful. Devoted near by neighbors, Hertz and Knight and other friends who were drawn to her by her pleasing personality, watched and cared for her needs until the life closed.

A salesman for a whip house at Westfield, Mass., is the center of attraction today as he guides a horseless carriage down the street. He stops at Frank Degenhart's harness shop, and a crowd soon gather to see this wonderful mechanism of power.

Dr. I. U. Parsons weds Miss Minnie Williamson at Council Bluffs and will soon be at home at Malvern.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Retelsdorf, their daughter Sophia is married to Mr. Geo. Haig of Red Oak. Prof. L. D. Salisbury is the newly elected Principal of our schools.

The saddle turns as Donald Cunningham is mounting his horse today and he is dragged several rods before getting loose. One broken leg, a fractured shoulder and badly bruised body are the injuries, but he is plucky and stands the smash up.

About the closing of the sports and festivities of July 4th, 1902, the alarm of fire was sounded. Fire had broken out in Wortz and Bushnell's big implement house. The fire boys soon got together and under the direction of Chief Wortz, fighting to save his own property, this time, it was kept from spreading, but a heavy damage to both building and stock. The fire fighters were remembered by a good contribution.

Another one of those horseless buggies came through town today, and stopped to take a drink of gasoline.

Rev. Alex. Corkey goes from the Malvern Presbyterian Church to the church at Fairfield, Iowa. Many friends regret his departure

Mat Higgins resigns his position att he Chicago Dry Goods Co. Store and is going west. J. P. Retelsdorf after 28 years of honorable business in Malvern wants a vacation and sells to Mr. M. Hammes from Keota, Ia.

At the A. W. Raines home, Rev. Corkey performs the ceremony that unites his daughter Mary and Mr. J. C. Greithuysen in marriage. A quiet wedding also at the Shire home, the daughter Nellie is married to Mr. J.

A. Hatfield. Another couple of our young people, Miss Bessie Weller and Richard Paul, the mail carrier, join hands and take the marriage vows.

Malvern wins the championship at the Firemen's Tournament at Red Oak and bring home the cup. Rev. W. H. Cable succeeds A. E. Slothower as pastor of the M. E. Church. Mr and Mrs Arva Burrus have a fine boy baby left at their home.

Mr. Elmer Abbott and Miss Maud Potter make a call on Rev. Waldo at the Baptist parsonage and he performs the ceremony that makes them one. Frank Wills and Miss Carrie Stafford agree to go quietly together along the ways of married life. Older lovers now Mr. H. A. Norton and Mrs. Nannie Anderson take the tie that binds.

Carl Harris has taken up work at the Wabash Depot. Mr. Fred Davis and family move into town to see how they will like us. Mrs. J. Durbin and family move into the fine home they purchased last June of Mr. Wearin. Lee Donner is building a home on Marion Avenue.

Miss Emma Watson is one of the business girls at the city central telephone office.

J. L. Buckingham takes the restaurant business of Wearin & Dahr and buys property on 4th Street for his business.

Will Caldwell goes to take charge of the Q Station at Clarinda. F. E. Mulholland buys the W. C. Haynes residence on Douglas Street.

Mr. F. D. Kilpatrick, a prosperous farmer of White Cloud Township, invests some money in Malvern real estate, buying the former home of Clyde Wills that is in the way of the new Q route and moves the building on lots near Mr. S. Masters home.

W. J. Tucker succeeds W. G. Wheat as agent of the Wabash. Will Miller buys the home of Ed Brown and moves from the farm to town. Dwight Swain is a helper at Kneeland's Store.

Royal Neighbors Lodge elect officers: Mesdames Jennie Thomas, Laura Peasc, Edna Baird, Mina Collins, Mary L. Maguire, Eva Hillier, Mattie Jones, Mary E. Thomas, Mattie Cozad, Luana Richards and Julia E. Norris.

Mr. W. G. White who bought the furniture business of Mr. Crose now buys his home also. Dec. 1902. The steam shovel is busy tearing up the soil for the new road bed of the C. B. & Q.

Frank Higgins resigns as deputy at the post office to take up a line of insurance bought of Mr. W. C. Haynes. He will be missed at his accustomed place.

It is Christmas tide 1902, and the festivities and glad gatherings of the holidays are on, pleasing entertainments at all the churches and friendly gatherings at the homes.

December 31st, in the Cottage Hotel parlors, Rev. Cable unites in marriage Miss Florence Avrill to Mr. John S. Emerson of Hartington, Nebr.

The old year 1902, out and the new one in, is the program of the Church pastors reception and watch night service at the Baptist church.

Revs. Waldo, Cable and Pomeroy with their wives, and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wills representing the Presbyterian Church in absence of pastor were seated upon the rostrum and were kept busy shaking hands and receiving and giving New Year's greetings to the throngs that came, after which, talks of the old and hopes for the new, and a sermon by Rev. Cable until time was called at the birth of the new year 1903.

We make record of the marriage on December 18th, of Miss Georgia Robey, to Dr. Wm. Parks Adamson, solemnized at the Baptist Church at Tampa, Florida, where the family reside. Miss Georgie with the family were residents here for a few years, and she was a favorite with all who came in companionship with her.

Rev. Moore is the new pastor of the Presbyterian Church. Mr. Hammes buys a home, the early home of Mr.M. E. Bochner on Douglas Street.

Mrs. J. J. Higgins is taken to St. Bernard Hospital at Council Bluffs, for treatment for paralysis, with which she was stricken some time ago.

Harry Landis buys the hardware stock and business of Ed. B. Brown & Co., a business in the Brown family for thirty years. Jess Bell will be with him as his right hand man and helper.

W. A. Mulholland buys the C. M. Pierce business. M. A. Chantry is the new man at the Post Office wicket

Mrs. Poe Rickabaugh, a resident of Malvern for many years, and a kindly neighbor, dies at her later home. Omaha.

Ordinance No. 42, to annex additional territory to Malvern, is passed by vote of citizens, enlarging our boundaries.

Fred Tubbs having sold his interests in the dray line, goes to Omaha. Wm. Bell takes Jess Bell's place as night watch.

David Hearn opens up a training school in athletics and physical culture, in the Baird building. J. D. Barrack is helper at the Green Bay Lumber yard. Dick Beeson is agent of the Wabash Station.

Dell Harris goes to Hastings for a wife, Miss Rose Berry. Mr. Fred Davis buys the Kneeland home.

A quiet wedding at the Arva Burrus home, when Mrs. Burrus's mother. Mrs. Hattie E. Landis is married to Mr. Wm. H. Cowperthwaite of Bash nell, Ill., a renewal of old acquaintance of school days.

February, 1903, Mr. James Whitmer resigns as mail carrier of Route No. 2 and J. C. Maguire is appointed to take his place. At this writing fourteen years later, Mr. Maguire is yet working for the post office department. The increased work added by the parcel post has been more than balanced by improved roads, by the coming of the auto car and increased compensation, since Mr. Whitmer and Paul started out on the new untried work of country mail delivery.

We have some important threads of life history, from oversight and missing records, that must be woven into the narrative of events to make it

more complete. A quiet wedding out at the Peaceville home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Stone, Ocober 11, 1893, the daughter Minnie is married to Mr. Charles C. Slater.

The ceremony is performed today, March 24, 1897, at the home of Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Morris, that unites in marriage their daughter Ida to Mr. Otis A. Strahan, Rev. Watson uniting them in the strong bonds of love and wedlock.

Mr. Lenuie V. Davis the good bread maker at The Burrus Bakery goes to day March 22, 1899, to Glenwood for a wife, Miss Lulu Davis. A little change in title only of the name when she assumes the marriage relations.

Mr. C. A. Mayberry comes to Malvern for his bride, November 15th, 1899, Miss Ella May Tipton, Rev. Watson officiating.

Miss Dora Alexander, a popular teacher in Malvern and the county schools is married today, June 20, 1900, at her mother's home, Mrs. S. A. Tipton, Malvern, to Mr. Frank Bishop of Indianola, Ia.

At Mrs. F. M. Benton's home her daughter Mabel A., and Mr. Edwin Wolfe are married, April, 1903.

D. R. Martin sells residence in south part of town and buys another of J. L. Talbott. G. H. Eveland of Lewiston, Ill., buys the City Hotel furnishings of landlord Hubbell.

Mr. Jess Bell thinks he can get better bargains by going away from home for a wife and he asks Miss Minerva Brownell of Hastings to change her name to Bell and come to Malvern to live.

Mr. W. D. Evans is dead is the word on the street to day March, 1903. Mr. Evans with his family were early pioneers of the town, and have been potent factors for good in its upbuilding in business, church, civic, school and social life.

Talbott and Kiser sell their furniture stock to Mr. G. T. White, and H. J. Baird sells out his telephone interests and a combination is soon formed that unites the interest of two into one.

Joseph Meyers a resident of Malvern since 1879, dies at the home of Samuel Myers, March 14, 1903.

Otis Boles and Walter Williams open up a new barber shop. Mr. M. D. Huston is the new tinwork man at Kronsbeins.

Another one of the family wedded at the Cottage, Miss Grace Avrill to Mr. Frank Nelson of Toulon, Ill., Rev. W. G. Moore, master of ceremonies.

Mrs. C. C. Baird, mother of Chan and Henry Baird, dies at Marquette, Kansas, and body brought to Malvern for burial.

A change in Cottage landlords, Mr. Avrill leases property to C. W. Reed of Omaha. The town people regret to see the management of the hotel go out of the hands of the Avrills, who have been so popular with the public, and boosters for the town.

April 14, 1903. The clang of the fire bell and the alarm whistle at the power house, awoke early sleepers last night, when the high school build-

ing was on fire, only partial insurance and a total loss of building, books, fixtures and furniture. The school board are busy planning for rooms for the students. May 7th, 1903, special election is called to vote on proposition for issue of \$12000 in bonds for the building of a new school building and where it should be built.

Mrs. G. H. Roose a resident for several years, dies at her later home at St. Louis. Wm. Totten & Son are new Real Estate and insurance firm.

Hazel and Teresa Moses entertain their young friends, Maude Rains, Beatrice and Hugh Hand, Eves Whitfield, Bessie Pease, Iowa Deardorff, Gladys Knight, Ada Thomas, Ruth Boehner and Ruth Bushnell.

Graduating class for 1903: Myrtle Rice, Arvilla Summers, Carrie Wilson, Ivy Kerney, Elbert Nickerson, Nora Summers, Bertha Bushnell, Charles Higgins, Fannie Beeson, Leonard Baird, Wilma Bentley, Lelia Weller.

Contract let to L. D. Ashby of Red Oak for erection of the new school building for \$14608.00.

Not all fun on the telephone repair line, John Smith and Bert Crumb working near Imogene were warned by a lady to not cut the limbs from trees in front of her premises, but forgetting the warning, they slashed one off, when the lady comes out and opened fire with a 38 revolver. It was too serious for the boys and they made extra quick time to get under cover until the storm was over.

At the Wyant home on Center Street, June 10th, 1903, occurs the marriage of their daughter Maude E. to Mr. Wm. J. Tutt of Des Moines.

Rev. W. G. Moore conducts the funeral service of Mrs. John Dyson at the Dyson home at Peaceville. Mr. and Mrs. Dyson came to Mills county in 1872.

July, 1903, Dr. W. M. Hiett from Red Oak buys the dental office and good will of Dr. Adamson.

Malvern celebrates our independance day on the fair grounds, a patriotic address by Hon. Shirley Gilliland.

Mrs. J. J. Maurath moves her stock of millinery goods to Silver City, and speaks some good words of praise of the people of Malvern.

The new pumping station grapples the question of water supply. J. W. Jones from Red Oak comes to Malvern as manager of A. E. Fields billiard hall.

The two big days of the South West Iowa Fireman's Tournament at Malvern, August 5th and 6th, were not the most favorable weather days, but the program was carried out. The bands played livlier music and the uniformed firemen did their best on dress parade while the citizens cheered them on, and \$1500 in prizes awarded.

Mr. A. N. Felton buys the Crooks and Savage lumber yard. Miss Bertha Williams of Bedford is elected as teacher in place of Miss Chantry who resigned to take up higher work.

Four of our young men, Elbert Nickerson, Ray Jones, Charley Fost and Henry Kraft go north to help in the harvest fields of the Dakotas.

Mrs. August Jahnke buys a home on Lincoln, Avenue. F. V. Williams buys the Cleaver Restaurant.

Mr. G. Nellen doesn't like the closeness of the proposed water tank to his home and he sells to Mr. Wm. Wortz. Mr. A. D. Avrill severs his interests with Malvern by a trade of the Cottage Hotel for a tract of Missouri land.

The new grades on first avenue are causing much grief to the citizens on the west side of the street. The cut at the top of the school house hill, and the filling in below will leave some of the homes much above the sidewalk and others will be far below. For the benefit of traffic and travel, to and from the new line of the Q and the law of "the greatest good to the greatest in number," we are obliged to conform, as best we can to the new plans.

S. E. Harold is elected janitor of school buildings.

Our new watertank tower is looming up on its 90 feet iron legs well bedded in the rock on which is resting the tank 19 feet in diameter and 24 feet high, capacity of 65000 gallon and the flag staff top 16 feet higher, which can be seen for many miles in all directions from Malvern.

News come to friends of the death of Charles Maloy at the hospital at Bemidge, Minn. Tot Maloy was the familiar and friendly name he was known by in his residence here..

- C. M. Rice and family return again to their former home town, Tabor. Mary Evans, Fannie Beeson and Mary Goodwin are students at Tabor College.
- Rev. S. J. McCormick, a former pastor of the Malvern Baptist church, dies at the home of his son Robert in Villisca. Robt. Masters takes Claude Pease place at the Watch tower.
- T. J. Moses our stock buyer buys 55 head of hogs from Mr. Black average weight 363 lbs. at \$5.35 per hundred.

Charles Albert Nelson and Miss Amanda Garst form a life partnership by the marriage yows.

Mrs. A. E. Fields buys the Wilhur McCabe home and is now having an apartment house built on the lots, by contractor McCullough.

There have been some changes in the 32 years that have gone by since the crection of the little two room brick school building in 1871 and the dedicatory program teday October 26th, 1903, of the new and enlarged one as it stands complete which occupies the same site as the old one with additions that had been made and is now absorbed and lost in the new.

Mrs. Fannie Crow a resident of Malvern for some years, dies at her home at Pomona, Calif.

November, 1903, Chautauqua Association formed with the following officers and directors: President, H. T. Beattie; Vice President, W. D. Wilson; Secretary, F. E. Mulholland; Treasurer, G. T. White and directors, I. N. Cheney, Emerson, C. D. Greenwood, Silver City, Robt. McClelland, Tabor, and time set for first assembly July 2, to 10th, 1904.

J. J. Wilson moves into his elegant new home on Marion Avenue. Rev. Lew C. Harris is the pastor at the Christian Church.

Mrs. Lydia M. Whitfield dies today December 14, 1903, for many years a resident of the county and the town, an earnest christian woman and she will be missed in church and social circles.

Frank Van Doren, a Malvern boy has been a good student at the Osteopathic school at Kirksville, Mo., and is given a good salaried position at the infirmary.

John Perdue and Miss Lottie Dunn take a little trip away and are married at the Methodist parsonage at Creston and return to Malvern, to take up life's duties.

E. L. Donner takes James Ervin's place as distributor for the Standard Oil Co.

Cupid has been making his head quarters at the banks, and the cashiers are all broken up. Mr. Will Guyer of the Bank of Malvern and Miss Kate Cottrell are married at Mrs. Smith's home and Mr. Will H. Morris, breaks into the Duncan home at Tabor and takes the daughter Gertrude for a wife.

Victor Benedict is the new picture man and F. W. Lessel the new tinner at Kronsbein's.

A new year 1904. We know the history of the one just gone, what will the records be for the one just dawning.

Dakin Miller leaves the contests on the diamond for mercantile business, and opens up a furniture store in the Foulks building, under firm name of D. E. Miller & Co. James S. Miller his father is his assistant in its management.

The Retelsdorf Bros. sell their restaurant business to James and George Buckingham. Ray Meadows and Mrs. Ruby Hollins make a business call on the Presbyterian pastor and he has them join hands and take the yows.

Master Bruce Boehner is ten years old today and a goodly number of his chums and playmates have a royal time at his home.

Lawrence Talbott is the assistant mail distributor at the Post Office. Master Robert Hough is eight years old to day. Carl Harris is helper at the Wabash.

Charley Adams for a long time the popular clerk at the Cottage dies today, January 23, at his Chicago home.

Rev. W. G. Moore performed the ceremony last evening, February 10th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Royce that united in holy wedlock Miss Edith Maloy and Chas. R. Aistrope.

Miss Libbie Dull, grown from childhood to womanhood in Malvern is married to Mr. W. D. Kayton.

Rev. Watson, a long time pastor of the Baptist church at Malvern goes from his little farm home to a pastorate at Villisca.

A wedding ceremony this evening. March 10th, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. S. A. Campbell, their daughter Miss Hazel to Mr. J. W. Soderstrum, Superintendent of construction on the Q.

Frank Higgins and Lee Baldwin buy the grocery business of Smith Brothers. The entire cost of our new school building and furnishings complete \$17465.97.

The salary for our rural mail carriers advanced from \$600.00 to \$720, per annum. Swanson & Foster, a new firm of blacksmiths and wagon makers, build a shop on the site of the old Judkins House.

Rachwitz and Wills is the new barber firm. John Garst is distrubutor for the Standard Oil Company. Thos. Laney is a new clerk at Kneeland's.

A fatal accident to day March 26th, 1904, to Mr. E. A. Stone out at Peaceville, by the falling of the roof of the old engine room that they were taking down. Death came in a few hours to the sufferer, a christian man, an excellent neighbor, friend and business man.

Mr. Tidball, Jr., comes as assistant to Mr. Seeley, the miller.

Geo. Perkins of Malvern and Miss Theresa Horstmyer of Glenwood are married.

D. E. Whitfield is Mayor of the town.

Mr. W. S. Bell succeeds E. L. Hibbs as agent of the Q. We liked Hibbs and think we will like Mr. Bell.

Mr. Fred Davis sells his nice home place to Mr. C. E. Califf.

The closing of the evening service at the church in Henderson, March 27th, 1904, was varied some, by theplaying of the wedding march, and the coming of the actors upon the stage for a wedding ceremony. The pastor performed his part in the drama, uniting Mr. Xanthus Imel of Malvern and Miss Edna Priest of Henderson with the marriage bonds.

Mr. Karl Hertz buys a block of lots on north Ist Avenue for a home near the location of the new Q depot.

Riley Gurwell the Q operator at Malvern and Mr. R. L. Hale, operator at Villisca, exchange places.

John Alfred Hall and Miss Hilda Johnson take a joy ride to Omaha April 8th, and are married.

The little Misses Katherine and Elinore Mellor give a delightful birthday entertainment to a goodly number of their little friends.

Mrs. Lucinda Buell, a resident and business woman of Malvern for several years dies at the home of her daughter Mrs. J. R. Jones of Emerson.

G. K. Munsell from Denver is manager of the telephone Co.

All the old teachers reelected excep Miss Hutchings who has a position at her home town.

Mr. Jesse Potter and Miss Mamie Van Doren surprise their friends by going over to the county seat and joining the ranks of married people.

The post office has the new stamps for sale commemorative of the world's fair at St. Louis. Round trip tickets from Malvern to visit the exposition are \$8.25.

F. V. Williams is providing food for the hungry in his restaurant rooms near the Leader office.

Geo. Masters for the last year teacher at Corning, is reelected for another year.

A little booze gets smuggled in now and then, among the men at the grading camps. Mr. Williams had to have Mr. Knight the Marshall come and show one who was overloaded to a bed in the calaboose

We are proud of our new cement street crossings that are being put in.

Frank Harris a popular manager and business man in Malvern for several years with his family move to St. Joe, Mo.

The graduating class for 1904 are Charles Christy, Blaine Young. Claude Kearney, Martha Lewis, Nellie Thompson, Mabel Mulholland.

Charles Slater and family become residents of the town. N. D. Cook keeps the ball rolling in his Bowling Alley on Fifth Street.

A noisy drunken profane woman on our streets today is a painful sight, as she struggles with the officers who take her to a place of restraint. Such a condition is degrading enough for a man, but womanhood in that condition it is pitiful indeed.

The Chautauqua assembly is on July 2 to 10th, and a surplus of moisture is making the tenters on the old camp ground, uncomfertable, and many more wishing that the weather had gone dry. Our National Holiday is on the program of exercises for a fitting observance of the day in lecture and music, and in sports and games on the diamond.

Master Earl Larison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Larison, dies today, the best medical skill could not save the life. Eight of his boy companions act as pall bearers, as the body is taken to the quiet resting place of the dead.

Miss Nellie Potts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Potts is married to Mr. Morris Martin at Clarinda.

The A. N. Felton Lumber yard is bought by Mr. Speer of Lancaster, Kansas. Mr. Geo. Nahley buys the Fred Durbin property on Prospect Avenue for a home.

The Veterans reunion was one of the events of the season as 109 of them with their families and friends, and the younger comrades of the Spanish War, made a good sized gathering on the fair grounds, August 18, 1917, for social comradship and reminiscences of camp life and those strenuous times of '61 to '65. The zii ring address of L. T. Genung, Walter I. Smith, John Y. Stone and Shirley Gilliland was an interesting feature of the occasion.

- H. T. Richmond sells his interests in the Iowa Manufacturing Co. to Mr. S. J. Steele, a brother, H. P. Steele to be manager.
 - I. L. Morgan is jeweler and optician at W. D. Wilson's Drug Store,

September, 1904, Nobe D. Smith takes a position with H. A. Deardorff, the grocer.

Our Mills County Fair and exhibits have been on during the past week, without fakers and side shows, it has been financially a success.

Geo. Rockafellow buys the H. Davis meat market, and Ob Raines is his helper. October 30th, 1904, trains commence running over the new track and road bed of the Burlington.

Ed Benton, Si Wearin, Frank Robbins and Miss Carrie Wilson are students at the State University, Lincoln, Nebraska.

We pass over the border to make record of the death of J. G. Lemen, founder and manager of the Christian Home of Council Bluffs, with whom our people have had much to do. A noble and unselfish man has given his life in the work of doing good.

Lawrence Perdue is 5 years old totay and some 15 of his best playmates come and have a good time at his home.

Officers of Ladies Cemetery Association: Mrs. S. B. Barnes, President; Mrs. Anna Goodwin and Mrs. S. A. Campbell, Vice Presidents; Mrs. Angel, Treasurer and Mrs. Miller, Secretary.

Lawrence Talbott resigns his position in the Post office to go to Des Moines to school. Wynn Otis temporarily takes his place. There have been a number of others who have been faithful emergency helpers at different times in the Post office as occasion required; Alice Brothers, Sadie Paddock, Bessie Weller, Essie Jones, Jay Paddock and Mrs. C. M. Wogan.

Alfred S. Workman is assistant at Pointer's gallery. L. A. Johnson buys the Hixson property.

One of the participants in the first marriage of residents of the little village of Milton, August 17, 1870, Mrs. Eli Vickery dies today, November 11, 1904, at her Malvern home.

Joseph Thomas Parmer a veteran of the Civil war answers the last roll call today, November 16.

Fred Smith a Malvern boy succeeds Levi Wilson as night operator at the Burlington. Rev. W. G. Moore of the Presbyterian Church preaches his farewell sermon and goes to a pastorate at LeMars, Iowa.

J. K. DeWolfe, an old timer, an honorable business man and citizen, is greeting old associates. He is a prosperous Nebraska rancher.

Flick and Johnson close their grading contracts with the Q and go into wnter quarters at Davenport. Mr. Flick retires from the firm and J. W. Soderstrom takes up his interests in the business.

H. E. Boehner dies today, December 25th, 1904, at the home of his daughter Mrs. Mulholland with a life experience of over 90 years, born in Novia Scotia in August, 1814. We have known him as Captain Boehner, the title coming to him as commander of a government steamer in the quartermasters department during the Civil War. For over thirty years he had followed the life of a sailor, and had visited many parts of the world, but settles down at last with his family in the little land locked harbor of Milton for business and a home. We imagine, as his mind would turn to the years of his earlier life, he would hear again the swishing of the waters and the rumbling of the ocean waves and breakers, in whose company he had been so many years. He took the degrees that made him a Mason, in Antwirp, Belgium in 1838. He had a genial smile of recognition for all he met in the daily walks of life, for both old and young, and had an active part in the civic business of the town, as Mayor, Justice, Councilman and citizen.

Agent Beeson of the Wabash resigns and C. E. Jasmine takes his place. Frank Weatherhead and Irve Livinspire brick contractors commence work on the new \mathbf{Q} depot.

In his nightly rounds, night watch Jones, nabs a would be burglar while working an entrance in at the rear of Royce and Smith's Stores.

W. A. Mulholland trades his grocery stock and meat market for a farm near Villisca. W. A. Anderson and A. A. Minnich are the new firm.

Mr. Shelby Watson takes a position as assistant to the Post master.

Lawrence Talbott, Lennie Baird, Si Wearin, Ed Benton, Carrie Wilson, Florence and Cora Durbin are home from their different schools during the holiday vacation.

Rev. Brewer, at the home of Mrs. J. M. Crow ties the bonds that unite together the daughter, Willie L. to Mr. Henry Nims of Emerson.

A happy New Year is the salutation as people meet at the opening of another year with the number 1905.

James McMillen dies at his home in Malvern in his 87th year.

A partial water famine in town. A little misunderstanding and a little obstinacy combined between the town council and the firm of Wortz and Bushnell the water providers. They put the lid on tight, and the thirsty citizen seeks "the old oaken bucket that hangs in the well" to quench his thirst for two successive days.

Mr. S. Timmons having sold his farm buys the Walt Mulholland residence and moves to town. Mr. A. N. Felton our former lumberman, takes an interest with Mr. Seeley in the Malvern Mills.

Mr. Stewart is Superintendent of the school. Karl Hertz builds and opens up a neat little restaurant business away up first avenue, close to the new Q station. Robt. Vandevert is manager.

Mills County Teachers in session at Malvern, February 3rd, and 4th.

Rev. A. E. Kiser comes as pastor to the Presbyterian Church and there is Union service at the Church to welcome him to Malvern

Lelia Norton takes a position as clerk at Minnich and Anderson's. Mr. Wm. Weaver buys the fine suburban home place of Mrs. E. A. Stone and gives up farming.

J. Degenhart, the harness maker returns to Malvern and starts again with us in Lusiness. J. C. Maguire sells his home to Mrs. David Cary.

Big snow sterms, railroad traffic blocked and the doctors are slow in getting out to their country patients. The neat and pleasant new station building of the Q is open to the public.

Mr. E. R. Craves feels quie young again, as he observes his 85th birth-day with a gathering of friends. Wm. Bingaman buys the Tom Butler property in south part of town.

Allan J. Chantry a student and graduate from our schools, now in the Naval Academy school at Annapolis, Md., ranks first in competitive examinations of the class of 130 students.

Friends and neighbors of J. W. McNulty and family drop in to say good bye, as they are packing up to move to Colorado.

The short term firm of Minnich and Anderson sell out dry goods and grocery stock to Wm. Van Doren and son, Milton.

J. F. Smith and J. S. Miller are helpers at Wm. VanDoren's Store.

Malvern market, March 9th, 1905, Corn 40c, Oats 30c. Potatoes 35c, Butter 18c, Eggs 15c, Cattle \$5.00, Hogs \$4.65.

The Burrus bakery are selling good bread, 6 loaves for a quarter.

The young may die, the old must die. Mrs. Mary Hawley—Grandma Hawley—dies today. February 27, 1905, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Neiman, a remarkable and lengthy span of life of near a century, retaining her faculties of mind and body until near the closing hours of life, a christian life of 70 years, a resident of Malvern 34 years. When Mary Hatton was born August 6th, 1806, in Montgomery County, New York, her baby eyes opened on a world without steam propelling power on land or sea, no matches for common use, no grain harvesters, but the sickle, scythe and grain cradle; no window screen wire or mosquito bar; no fly swatters, steel wrting pens or paper blotters; letter postage one shilling an ounce; no sewing machines; no telegraph messages, or telephone calls and no practical knowledge or use of that wonderful power of electricity. What strides of progress as a nation and in betterment of living has come within these years. A longer life yet is that of a sister of Mrs. Hawley who celebrated her one hundredth birthday at Minneapolis, Minn., June, 1898.

We go out over the border to make record today, March 8th of the death of one whose interests in the upbuilding of the town and financial aid to church, school and business, have made him a history maker. Harvey W. Summers closes a life of 79 years. A good citizen, neighbor and valued friend has gone out of this life.

Jess Bell buys lots on 1st Avenue and will move his lower town residence to them. Walter Larison after 25 years of service to the public sells his shop to Chas Minner and goes out of business.

Bonney McCoy, the pleasant and hustling porter at the Cottage takes a position with a new hotel at Red Oak.

- J. W. Pointer buys residence property on 1st Avenue formerly the Gidley home. Mr. J. W. McNulty transfers his interests in the real estate firm to his partner, P. M. Cadwell.
- J. T. Brohard and wife, residents of Malvern for thirty years move to Bassett, Nebr.

The honorable town council have had the nerve to pass an ordinance ordering about 40 blocks of cement sidewalk laid without talking with us much about it. Geo. Talbott, the editor of the Ravelings column in the Leader of April 10, describes the situation in verse.

"Forty blocks of sidewalk

The council orders in

Forty angry citizens

A cussin' do begin."

We are all boosters when the expense is on the other fellow.

Our school instructors for the coming year: Superintendent O. P. Stewart, Prin. May Miller, Asst. Prin. Bertha Willams; Daisy Bartley, Mabel Potts, Fannie Beeson, Emma Young, Pearl Miller and Bertha Bushnell grade teachers, all of last year reelected except Fannie Beeson takes the place of Miss Ladd, who was not an applicant.

The post office is moved from the rear of First National Bank to east side of First Avenue, while business was asleep.

Fred Hall is shoe repairer at Mr. Hammes' Shoe Emporium. Victor Benedict one of our picture men moves to Fontanelle.

The fire boys in training for taking part in the state meeting at Council Bluffs: Joe Johnson, W. H. Guyer, Ceo. Talbott, Ed Higgins, Forrest Chantry, Otis Boles, Charles Smith, Lawrence Talbott, Albert Baird, C. R. Brothers, Lee Robbins, Fred Barkus, Frank Hawkins, N. D. Smith, Robt. Cooksey, Elbert Nickerson, Harry Bently, Geo. Blackman, Ike Rains, W. Dunn, Jess Bell.

C. E. Califf buys the Livery Barn of Geo. Mellor and has control of the business. Geo. Talbott resigns his position with Hawkins & Mulholland.

Aprl 26th, 1905, a quiet home wedding at Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Chantry's, their daughter Lillian to Mr. H. T. Beattie, Rev. Corkey, master of ceremonies.

The Malvern Mill is selling their best flour \$1.30 per 50 lb. sack.

McLaughlin & Son of Red Oak are awarded contract for laying cement walks and crossings, at 11c per square foot for walks and 16½ c for crossings. Miss Elizabeth Somes goes from Malvern to a position at Billings. Mont.

An alumni association founded of high school graduates: President, H. J. Baird; Vice Presidents, Lottie Deardorff and Daisy Bartley; Secretary, Bertha Bushnell; Treasurer, Ed Higgins.

The curiew rings to night at 9 o'clock if you are under 18 you hustle for home.

A bequest of one hundred dollars from Mrs. Abigail Morrow to The Malvern Cemetery Association Trust Fund, the interest only of which can be used in keeping the grounds in perfect order. This was the foundation, some similar gifts have since been made. May some readers of these lines, at once make plans to aid this fund by gift now while living, or by will, that this work may be sustained and kept up, in the years to come, when we too are residents of the silent city of the dead.

The 1905 graduates from our schools: The Misses Flora Benton, Helen Hammes, Adda Kronsbein, Ruth kneeland, Lillian Hammons. Bessie Garman, Edna Scott and Donald Cunningham, Joseph Whitesides and Harry Bently.

The Mills County Telephone Co. organized with headquarters in Malvern, officers and directors elected: M. W. Sells, M. T. Davis, O. P. Stewart, C. D. Greenwood, B. B. Dean, A. B. Judson, Robt. McKenzie, J. T. McCready, H. J. Baird.

Fire, fire, at 2:30 p. m. The old Guenther barn, occupied by Mr. Califf is on fire. The fire boys are now in the fight. A strong wind is blowing, and the flying embers are being watched with anxiety as they fly on and over buildings to the north and east. The strenuous work of fighters and watchers keep it in bounds and the loss is the barn and nearly all the contents and Mr. Pace's paint shop. Mr. Califf is lessee and a heavy loser. No insurance. Some outside losers who had property in the barn. Major Barns, John Wise and Rev. Kiser.

To day May 28th, 1905, that grim reaper, death comes and takes away the life of Mrs. Eliza J. Aistrope at her home in Malvern, so well known and loved. Her whole life had been passed in this vicinity as school girl, woman, wife and mother.

A telegram comes to Mrs. Mina Brown of the accidental death of her husband J. S. Brown at Argentine, Kansas. The body was brought to Malvern Cemetery for burial.

An old established business in Malvern changes hands. J. E. Skadan sells his stock of Implements and Farm Machinery and a residence property to H. A. Vankirk.

Dr. W. S. Corbin transfers his Osteopathic practice to his brother Dr. M. E. Corbin.

The Mills County Chautauqua is on the rostrum at the Fair grounds Mrs. Angie Fishback transfers her millinery business to the ownership of Miss Myrtle Mulholland and W. G. Bingaman trades his Malvern business and properties for a farm.

The death summons comes to two of our well known citizens today. R. J. Brown, an early pioneer of the town, an honored and respected citizen and business man for over 30 years and Isaac Mulholland, a business toiler in the first bunch of business men of the town for a number of years. After an absence of 25 years he returns to make Malvern his home again where his first home was established.

A. N. Speer sells his lumber yard to The Quinn Lumber Co.

Eggs 11c per dozen, butter 15c pound.

Mr. Frank Clark sells to T. J. Moses, the stock buyer, a bunch of hogs at \$5.25 and the editor remarks that "there is good money in hogs at that price." The farmer at the present writing would not think so.

Five miles of first class cement walks in town. Geo. Pace, the painter, buys the old Q depot building and moves it up on 2nd Avenue for a shop.

Mrs. Mary A. Jacobs dies at the home of her daughter Mrs. Angie Fishback, 83 years of life record.

Willis and Abner Clark buy the old Skadan business of Vankirk.

Amy Deardorff entertains about fifty of her little friends. Clay pipes and soap bubbles was the great froic of the day.

Mr. Willard Ruth and family from Blockton, Iowa, become residents of Malvern, and Mr. Ruth is an employee at Hawkins and Mulholland Store. Miss Dorethea Swanson is Art trimmer at Myrtle Mulholland Millinery Store.

Mr. Al Hawkins retires from an active part in the large mercantile interests of Hawkins & Mulholland.

A grand gathering of the Mills County I. O. O. F. lodges at Malvern, August 23, 1905.

Dr. Campbell buys an auto and is learning the ways of his new steed.

At an early hour this morning, August 21st, night watch Whitmer, saw smoke issuing from the third story of The Malvern Flouring Mill. Desperate fighting saved the granary and storage building part. Quite a heavy loss to the owners, above insurance.

A large bunch of boy friends of Byron Thomas help him celebrate his birthday. H. E. Boyer, the Strahan merchant, finds a home for his family in Malvern for the benefit of school privileges.

W. H. Miller is elected janitor of school building. Fred Barkus takes Lee Robbins place at Gibson's Store. Ed Higgins goes from The Chicago Dry Goods Store to Colorado and Lawrence Talbott takes his place. Harvey Knight and Miss Emma Clarey take a trip to Omaha and are married.

At the home of Mrs. R. J. Bently, August 31st, her daughter Wilma, is married to Edward C. Higgins, and commence married life in a home at La Junta, Colo.

A large delegation of G. A. R. men are off today, September 4th for the encampment at Denver.

W. H. Morris, Assistant Cachier at the First National, gives up his position, and embarks in business at Wayne, Nebr.

Mrs. W. J. C. Smith buys Miss Place's home, one of the early land-marks of the town. An important deal is effected today by P. M. Cadwell our real estate man, whereby A. J. Kronsbein trades his hardware stock and fine home to W. H. Salyers, for his farm and farm home in White Cloud Township. M. S. Conrad is helper at the VanDoren Co. Store.

V. W. Beeson trades his warehouse and residence to Samuel Estes for Nebraska land. Wm. Bingaman buys the Howard Restaurant.

Rev. W. H. Cable for three years pastor of the M. E. Church is succeeded by Rev. W. W. Bollinger.

W. G. White, our furniture store man buys the Kronsbein hardware stock of W. H. Salyers and Geo. Keffer of Hastings is induced to come over to his old business home, to help him in the business.

Leonard Wilkinson, carrier on abandoned R. F. D. route from Hillsdale is transferred and goes out on route number 3 from Malvern.

Mr. Allen Smith from Massena buys the home of Mrs. G. W. Bates. Mrs. Bennett dies at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Martha Rickabaugh. Guy Harold rustles the delivery wagon for the Gibson store.

New corn is worth 32c a bushel.

A lively baby boy comes to the home of Dr. and Mrs. Parsons on November 1st.

We have to make mention of so many as they pass out of this life, that our records ought to show the coming in of the new life to keep the balance. Our records of the dear baby life has been poorly kept by the historian, and but few have been mentioned and now they will have to be left until they individually make some record that they are living and making good records for future hisotry. Brute life is registered as to type and ancestry at birth. Human life it may be better to register at its close, when the records have been made up. Is it not well worth while to devote more care to those essential things, that will make better the type and pedigree of human life as well.

Mr. Callen, the owner of the Cottage Hotel trades it to Mr. Brower of Hamburg for 300 acres of Missouri River bottom lands, Allen and Legore, the lessees will go ahead with its refitting for opening to the public, November 15th.

The Feltons move to Council Bluffs. Mr. Whitmer buys Perdues dray line.

Frank L. B. Goodwin dies at the home of Mr. M. Cunningham of that dread disease cancer. He came to Malvern in the 70s, where his brother Charles was already located, and has been here or near by ever since. Descended from titled English ancestry, himself and brother both kept the name untarnished.

Father and son quietly observe their golden and silver wedding anniversaries, today December 15, Wm. VanDoren and wife 50 years, Milton VanDoren and wife 25 years.

The 86 year lease of life of Mr. J. F. Tyler expired today and he lays down in death's sleep at his son's home.

The calendar says it is now 1906.

Mr. C. S. Royce buys residence of Mrs. C. J. Hyde. Mrs. J. F. Christopher dies at her home in Malvern.

The Strahan and Christy Bank is reorganized into The Malvern National Bank and the following named officers elected: C. B. Christy, President; James Durbin, Vice President; Fred Durbin, Cashier; Directors: C. B. Christy, Fred Durbin, James Durbin, L. C. Stevesson and C. M. Follett.

Mr. Cecil Graves is getting quite a reputation as a cartoonist.

Alice Cottrell Woodrow dies at their home at Sioux City, and is brought here for burial.

A. L. Arnold buys the Minner barber shop. Evangelist Pratt and his singer Brison are in the midst of interesting revival meetings at the Baptist Church.

Mr. W. C. Wortz and Miss Grace Mulholland are married, January 24th, at the home already prepared by the groom.

Dr. S. T. Brothers dies suddenly while sitting in his chair, a grand good man, conscientiously performing the arduous duties of his profession, to the poor and rich alike, for over forty years in the county, the first of his profession in Malvern.

McElhose and Hall buy the blacksmith shop of V. W. Beeson.

L. W. Boehner buys the old Baptist church building, for several years the work shop of the Neck Yoke factory, and will have it transformed into a residence.

J. R. McClymond and family become permanent residents of the towa. Allan J. Chantry graduates with high honors, standing at the head of his class in the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

Mrs. Lydia Timmons wife of S. Timmons dies at her son's home near Pacific Junction, while on a temporary visit there.

The Kronsbein family bid their many friends goodbye as they go away to their new home at Litchfield, Ill.

Mr. S. J. Clark is manager for the Quinn Lumber Co.. J. J. Hartzell takes Mr. Harts place at the Wabash.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Chantry get their boys and girls all together for a full reunion, gathering at the banquet board of the home.

Mr. David Duncan, Father Duncan, dies to day, Malvern's oldest citizen, nearly 94 years of age.

Church pastors, H. R. Waldo and Lew C. Harris, leave their pastorates, and young and old friends gather at each of their homes for the last good byes.

Mrs. Leah Dice buys the V. C. Bridges property, for a home. Mr. Samuel Bonham and family move to Shenandoah. John Meryhew is sub-carrier for rural route number 3.

Mr. J. A. Foster is building a big barn on lower 1st Avenue for the livery business. S. Burrus buys the Collins bakery.

Miss Carrie Wilson is book-keeper at Mulhollands.

W. H. Salyers goes into partnership with P. M. Cadwell in the Real Estate business.

Mr. Forrest R. Chantry goes abroad for a wife and is married to Miss Ethel Lovett at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lovett at Shenandoah.

Harry Thomas moves to Friend, Nebr. James Buckingham moves his grocery stock into one of Newt Jacob buildings on 1st Avenue.

W. R. Thomas sells his business to F. D. Stitt, rents residence and goes to farming for a hoped for change to better health.

Agent Bell of the Q buys the former home of J. J. Wilson.

Dr. Will N. Hiett and Miss Myrtle Mulholland are old married people having been married several months ago but the world didn't know it until today.

Jess Smith who has been so long in Malvern, as school boy, helper and business man, moves with the family to Council Bluffs.

The fine tulip bed of Mr. Geo. Mellor is a pleasure to the passer by.

A valiant fight is now on, for a relocation of the County Capitol from Glenwood to Malvern. The location made by the early pioneers, was the best at the time, it was their home and their home town. But the changes since then have swung the dial marker to a new center, for convenience and economy and the contest is on for the change. Generous guaranteed bonds have been placed to make good to the county the cost of removal. Friends in possession are pressing hard on the string of the utter ruin of our neighbor towns if such a thing should occur. The fight is stirring up the latent powers of many minds, which have heretofore been dormant, and in prese and poetry and derogatory terms for and against the question, the pages of our county papers are replete with the news of the war. The ins won the race, and since then the lid has been put on at the State Capitol, to the budding aspirations of Malvern in this direction, and well spiked down "Requiescat in pace."

A little daughter is entrusted to Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Hiett for safe keeping.

Channing Baird receives his appointment as Post Master of Malvern.

Rev. W. G. Hoover and Rev. H. H. Utterback are the new pastors at the Baptist and Christian Churches.

J. W. McNulty gives up his position with the Green Bay Lumber Co., and E. W. Gregory takes his place.

Our people are terribly wrought up over the awful calamity that has befallen San Francisco. Those having friends in the destroyed city are anxiously waiting further news. A thrilling description is given of the event by Miss Gail Shipman in the Leader of May 17th, 1906.

A hoodoo is on The Cottage. Allen & Logan retire and Mrs. Skahill is the next.

From their last years work at Moulton, Iowa, the sisters Lillian and Ethel Cunningham go to higher positions in Sigourney Schools.

Miss Hazel Whitmer enters the Mills County Telephone office to learn the work, and she learned it well, as at this writing, she is yet at her station.

Will Evans a Malvern boy, now grown to manhood and out in the world making good, dies at Kansas City, and is brought to his old home place for burial.

W. E. Larison is again behind the barber's chair, his sale or trade was not adhesive enough to stick.

School graduates for 1906: Olga Otis, Hazel Richmond. Frances McCoy, Rhebba whalen, Liva Richards and Ivy Campbell. Where are the boys?

Lee Baldwin is moving into a new home he has been building. J. L. Buckingham buys a home of J. T. Ward.

Shelby Watson the faithful and efficient assistant at the post office, under the old regime, takes a position at the Bank of Malvern.

The new flouring mill to replace the one burned is now complete and open for business.

Mrs. J. T. Brohard, one of the early pioneers dies at her home near Bassett, Nebr.

Wm. Weaver a well known and respected citizen of the county since 1857, dies at his lately purchased home at Peaceville.

The Malvern Chautauqua Assembly for 1906, is now in session. The idea of these assemblies, conceived and set in motion by Bishop J. H. Vincent of Chautauqua, N. Y., has become of nation wide annual observance. Some of our people will remember the first noted gathering at Council Bluffs many years ago. Those who had been taking the regular courses of study as students formed the nucleus of that gathering in the commodius amphitheater erected by the citizens. Changes have been so made, that commercialism now conducts and presents the great moral and intellectual force to the public. Since our first assembly in 1904, in a mammoth tent on the fair grounds, they have been well supported, and for the

betterment of our social, intellectual and meral life, from their presentation they should be well sustained.

Miss M. Edith Davis is elected as teacher to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Miss Williams and Miss Adaline Ward as teacher of vocal music in the school.

Mr. Frank Miller and Miss Elizabeth Shane are married at the Shane home by Rev. Hoover. Mr. Eli Vickery and Mrs. Jennie Crumb invest in bonds of matrimony, being the second investment for both of them.

Mrs. S. J. Curls 72nd birthday was pleasantly observed by her grand-daughter Ollie Hammond inviting in a number of her old time lady friends.

Mr. I. L. Morgan has been building a home, corner of Douglas Street and Prospect Avenue and is moving in today.

John Myers and Mrs. Katie Dunn take the vows of marriage at Squire Van Doren's office.

Lennie Baird, Donald Cunningham and Harry Bently are students at Des Moines College and Perry Hendricks goes to the military school at Culver Indiana.

September 13th, Ernest Anderson goes to Omaha and finds a wife, Miss Peterson. Hazel Richmond is helper at The Chicago Dry Goods Store and James Baskins is at Kneelands.

Mr. J. D. Robbins comes away from his extensive farming interests in the county and trades some land for Beeson & Estes's warehouse and stock on 4th Street and invests in a new business, with Mr. Roy Robbins, his son, opening up an Auto Garage, for sales, repairs and hire. The starting of this business here, which has so grown, that large commodious buildings have since been erested to meet the demands of the times.

Royce and Smith are moving their stock into their fine new business place, neighbor to The Malvern National Bank. Membraneous croup takes the daughter Elizabeth from the Poulson home

An ox team hitched to an old prairie schooner is on the street today. It was Ezra Meeker, locating the route over the old trail of the forty niners, to the gold fields of California. John Cain, who has been for the last 25 years, the faithful and trusted employee of the Q as their section foreman, resigns.

Miss Eula VanVranken a former teacher in the school writes an interesting letter to the Leader on her arrival in China to take up the mission work of the Church.

Mr. Otto Burrus, a former Malvern lad is married to Miss Barnard of Glenwood. The mother of Mrs. I. L. Morgan dies today at the home of the daughter.

Those who are in charge of business at the school rooms: Superintendent J. E. Clayton, Mae Miller, Daisy Bartley, Mabel Potts, Cora Owens, Mrs. Emma Young, Mae Churchill, Bertha Bushnell and Ruth Thompson.

The Malvern National Bank move into their new building with its fine furnishings and fixtures and are well prepared for business.

Dick Paul, R. F. D. carrier, one of the starters of the Rural free delivery, gives up the job and is succeeded by Wm. Emerick, December, 1906.

Ray and Will Kline are landlords at the Cettage and Mr. Hubbell takes Len Davis' place at the City Hotel.

The eighth double wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Cadwell and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Berkhimer is observed at the Cadwell home.

Some of the youngsters that have birthday parties, Frank Talbott, Macey Himebaugh and Ruth Wyant and they are red letter days in each of their homes.

Charles Hollins and Miss Emma McDaniels, who with her parents were formerly residents of Malvern, are married at Council Bluffs.

The great cereal of our State, a corn show, is on exhibition at Malvern, 229 entries for \$300 premiums.

S. B. Barnes sells his grain elevator to J. D. McClain of Peoria, Ill.

The Woodmen Lodge elect officers, T. C. Lake, S. E. Harold, John Moore, J. C. Maguire, C. M. Morford, G. W. Short, Arva Burrus, M. S. Conrad.

Mr. Philip Hambsch retires from the farm and buys Emerson Brown's residence, for a home, on Douglas Street. Out at Peaceville, Miss Flora Hammond is married to Mr. J. R. Pitzer.

The VanDoren Co. sell their business to our Attorney A. E. Cook and a brother C. H. Cook from Sioux City, Ia., and the new firms is The Cook Mercantile Co.

The young people that are away at school and work are coming home for the holidays and some good feeds of mother's cooking

Cards are out introducing the reader to a bright chubby youngster, with a label on him, 1907.

Rev. W. G. Hoover resigns his pastorate at the Baptist Church. The Christian Church has been enlarged and built over new, and is rededicated to day, January 13, 1907, Rev. W. H. Utterback, Pastor.

A baby boy is welcomed at the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. O. Laird.

Today January 15th, the death call comes to Mrs. R. J. Brown, a noble, helpful woman, in her earnest Christian life, and deeds of kindness and love in her thirty three years of home life in Malvern.

January 8th, Mrs. L. W. Miller dies at the Presbyterian Hospital in Omaha, another noble Christian life.

News comes that Dan Farrell, an old time resident of Malvern and well known as the plucky, Mills County Sheriff, is dead at his home in San Antonio, Texas.

Mr. L. E. Smith and family purchase a home and become residents of Malvern. Mr. N. G. Patterson is the maker of new, and a renovator of the old, at his harness shop on 1st Avenue.

Cadwell and Salyers our real estate men have gathered together from our county a train load of the goods and chattels of a number of our good citizens, that starts today for Wellington, Colo., for new homes in the new west. Mr. F. D. Kilpatrick moves from the farm to his residence property in town.

The brothers Sam and John Myers, early settlers of the town, are both taken by death within a few days of each other.

Mr. R. A. Wills trades his Peaceville home to G. W. Wyant for his town residence and they will change their abiding places soon. Mrs. Laura Uttvits, who by her kind hearted, gentle ways has a long list of friends, who surprise her on her 70th birthday by their presence or by letters of congratulation and expressions of good will.

There were 218 teams at one time on our Street last Saturday. Alice Windom and Mr. C. A. Pickerel are married. Jesse H. Evans and Miss Emily Gardner, take some friends along and go joy riding to Council Bluffs to get some bonds, as husband and wife.

Major Barnes buys the former residence of Dr. Love. Lem Jones takes Len Wilkersons place as carrier on No. 3. H. T. Richmond, the harness maker, inventor, Neck Yoke factory man, musician and good citizen, tears himself away from Malvern and mives to Sedgwick, Colo.

S. A. Tipton is on duty as upstairs salesman, at Mulhollands. Mr. T. J. Moses buys a home. E. L. Perkins and Elizabeth Starr are married.

Higgins Bros. succeed the firm of Baldwin and Higgins. J. D. Robbins sells the implement part of his business to Ash and Long.

Leonard Wilkinson, mail carrier on route 3 leaves his task in the hands of Bert Crumb. Baton Tennant is with Higgins Bros. W. A. Barrier buys the Buckingham barber shop.

Albert Baird gives up his position at the Royce Drug Store and Blaine Young is learning the ways of the business. Mrs. Andrew Swanson dies at her Malvern home. Miss Hazel Rumsey wins first honors in dramatic contest at Tabor.

April, 1907, Mr. and Mrs. James Criswell purchase a home and move to town as a respite from the strenuous cares of the farm.

Mr. J. W. McNulty and family return from Colorado and Mr. McNulty takes Mr. Clark's place with the Quinn Lumber Co., deciding that Malvern was a better pleasure resort for business than Colorado Springs.

Edna Shenefield dies at her parents' home in the suburbs. Mr. Hugh McIntosh ,the miller, who was associated with Dr. Brothers in the Silver Creek flouring mill and a long time resident of Malvern, dies at his Maryville ,Mo., home.

Mr. Marion Kerney buys the Bushnell residence property on Marion Avenue.

Mr. Allen Anderson and wife and son Ernest Anderson and wife return from Sweden, where they went about a year ago, intending to make it their home, but time had made changes and it was not the same to them as in their younger life and they again come to America and Malvern.

Rev. J. E. Wilkins has accepted the pastorate of the Baptist Church and is here with his family to take up his work.

It is Katherine Mellor's tenth birthday and ten playmates help her to spend the day. Agent Matheny of the Wabash buys the home of Mrs. M. E. Johnston and Mrs. Johnston buys the I. L. Morgan home on Douglas Street. Fred Smith finds a wife at Shenandoah, Miss Ada Schick.

A new Insurance firm, Mr. O. J. Davis and daughter Edith and son Elmer as partners. Henry J. Baird and family start today for their new home place at Delta, Colo. A long time resident and we will miss him in the daily run of business.

Harry Keffer comes from Hastings to Malvern, his boyhood home to help Ash and Long sell farm implements.

Our base ball team, Carl Cook, Guy Conrad, Kenneth Cook, Arthur Dice, Forest Deardorff, Harry Wilson, Elmer Davis, Walter Scott, Paul Kneeland and John Brooks, go down and take the scalp of the Red Oakers by just 7 to 6.

S. E. Harold sells his home to Mr. Viner and will soon move to Colorado. E. L. Donner buys the old Q Elevator. The Donners always have some horses to turn in on a trade and he turns in a thousand dollars worth.

At the Graham home on Saturday Miss Mona's friends, Gladys Smith, Amy Deardorff, Irene and Margaret Beckett, Doris Barnes, Edith Smith, Ruth Boehner and Ethel Mulholland come dressed in grown up's clothes and have a frolic celebrating her 10th birthday.

The question of sewerage for the town is breaking out.

1907 school graduates, Grace Churchill, Maude Coiner, Josie Kerney, Pearl Lake, Mildred Priest, Elsie Skerritt, Ruth Young, Arthur Dice, Elmer Davis, June Fickel and Harry Kneeland.

W. L. Johnson, better known to us as Laban Johnson dies today, May 17th, at his Malvern home.

Decoration day services in honor of the soldier dead was properly observed.

Miss Edith Smith is seven today, and there has to be some doings at the Walter Smith home to commemorate the event. A goodly number of her little friends come and furnish the doings

Miss Ethel Himebaugh and Mr. Edward Gilmore, take the vows to love honor and obey, and their home will be at Omaha.

The 1907 Chautauqua is a winner. The stock market, fat cattle \$5.85

to \$6.35, Hogs \$5.85.

Miss Florence Skahill is helper with the Cook Mercantile Co. G. C. Boston buys the hardware stock of W. G. White.

Malcolm Campbell, Walter Scott, Paul Kneeland and Guy Conrad are taking their vacation, developing manly muscle and fine crops out on the farms.

Cadwell & Salyers, the real estate men trade the Cottage Hotel property for 1120 acres of land near Bassett, Nebr.

To day, August 14th, 1907, while at his work, James Miller Strahan is stricken with death. "God steps in and says thy work is finished." The eulogy of his life has been ably spoken. We cannot say more A true and valued friend and citizen has been taken from us.

Mr. James Berry buys a home south of the ball park and Ernest Anderson buys Karl Hertz's residence property. F. D. Kilpatrick buys the north half of the old academy block for a place to build a nice home for his family.

X. A. Imel takes a well earned vacation from the Leader office and accompanied by his wife goes thro the west sight seeing. Arthur Howard leaves his position with the Iowan to engage in business for himself at Coupeville, Washington. The Baseball Tournament is on with four good teams ready for the contest.

Monday, September 2, all roads for the young lead towards the opening of the public school.

Mr. V. G. Williams is assistant at The First National Bank and Joy Parker is helper at Kneelands.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Criswell, September 4th. occurred the marriage of their daughter Agne to Mr. Frank J. Steele of Strahan. W. H. Manifold is our new Superintendent of the schools.

T. D. Gibson, the grocer, a short time since traded his fine home and some other property for a Woodbury County farm, and today he trades his grocery stock, fixtures and business buildings to Mr. H. D. Anderson for his farm just across the creek and Mr. Anderson in a few hours time is in possession of to him a new business. But he does not stay on the job but a few days until he desires to go back to the farm and makes a trade with Mr. Sheets of Carson for 240 acres of land near Macedonia. Mr. Sheets is also a trader and in a few days he sells his stock and fixtures to Mr. Fred Mulholland who winds up the deal by adding a grocery department to the already large business of the Mulholland Co.

A list of students from Malvern and vicinity that are away at College studies: Elbert Nickerson, Perry Handricks, Otto Gibson, Nora Summers, John Summers, Si Wearin, Roy Robbins, Blanch Coffman, Claude Kerney, Olga Otis, June and Ward Fickel, Ralph Wilson, Rolfe Whitnell, Ruth Young, Ivy Campbell, Florence and Cora Durbin, Ruth Kneeland, Mary

Goodwin, Mildred Priest, May and Grace Churchill, Harry Bently, Edna Scott and Frank Wilson.

Mr. Frank Scoles and Miss Pearl Lake go to Glenwood and Rev. Skiles of Congregational Church, performs the ceremony that makes them husband and wife.

Mr. J. W. Jones buys the W. W. Wills home property, in the north west part of town.

Mrs. Nancy Johnson dies today, September 27th, at the home of her daughter Mrs. S. Masters. She was with her husband J. J. Johnson and family, early pioneers, staked out a claim for a home in 1856, near where Malvern has since been built.

The price of new corn at the elevators is 55c. Sam Dowden, a helper at Patterson's harness shop, moves to Sterling, Colo.

A. O. Purdy who is an experienced pharmacist, takes a position with Mr. Royce the druggist.

Over the border to make record of the death of a well known, earnest, practical Christian woman, Mrs. Olive Wearin, an early pioneer and one of those who were stricken by the railroad disaster at Chillicothe, Mo.. November 8th, 1879, where Mr. Josiah Wearin, the husband lost his life.

Guy Harold enters the employ of H. A. Deardorff, the grocer, as clerk and delivery man. Lyle Wilkins is helping to wait on customers at the Landis store.

Miss Mabel Nickerson weds Mr. R. E. Lindsay, the operator at the Q. A new enterprise is started. Dr. J. H. Gasson is fitting up rooms over the Malvern National Bank for a hospital.

Mr. W. G. Salyers is the purchaser of the B. W. Rush home on Prespect Avenue. The coming of Mr. Salyers to Malvern for a home, calls our attention to the number of good citizens who have from time to time, come to make their homes in the town, from Strahan and vicinity: Salyerses, Criswells, Eacretts, Bellwoods, Hambsch, Roberts, Boyer, Ewing, Black.

W. R. Thomas has recovered his health out on the farm and is shaving again for a living.

Section foreman Wires of the Burlington is promoted to road master of branch roads out from Creston,

John Miller, "Uncle John" dies while visiting a daughter at Winside, Nebr., October 20th. He has been a long time resident of Malvern, aonther one added to the list of passing friends.

Rev. Wilkins performs the ceremony of the marriage of Ossie Smith and Miss Stella Thompson, a quiet home wedding, November 6.

A masquerade party of young friends of Stewart Foster, played a surprise game on him last Thursday evening, when he was 15 years of age, lots of fun and something good to eat.

Mr. W. F. Donner, one of the young generations of the Donners, finds a girl to his liking at Shenandoah, Miss Cora Richards, where they have just taken the marriage vows.

A record overlooked the death of Mrs. Chan. C. Baird, a noble, kind hearted, Christian woman, who is called from her home and large family who much need a mother's care. The elder daughter takes up the work as best she can as guide and counselor in the mother's place.

Mr. Joe Evans who was one of the Malvern boys in the start, comes from Scattle, Wash., to visit his mother Mrs. W. D. Evans.

Mr. C. E. Eacrett, weary of living on the border comes over from the farm for a residence in town.

Baton Tennant is now with The Cook Mercantile Co.

Little Margaret Jean is a new arrival as a guest at the Beattie home.

Mr. Fred Barkus and Miss Jennie Van Doren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milt Van Doren take a joy ride to Glenwood and engage Rev. Utterback to tie the matrimonial bonds.

Mr. Philip Hambsch has just returned from a visit to his old boyhood home at Obenhausen on the Rhine, after 50 years in America as soldier and citizen. He does not find many of his old time friends and they do not recognize the young man Philip Hambsch in the gray bearded veteran Philip Hambsch of Malvern.

Mrs. Maurer is matron at the Malvern hospital.

Mr. Eugene Porter takes the place of Ben. R. Busby in charge of the jewelry department at Wilson's Drug store.

Hazel Head is the hat artist at Mrs. Hiett's millinery shop.

The institution of the annual Dutch Supper is introduced to the public by the ladies of the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Everett W. Masters and Miss Roselle E. Konnefke take the marriage vows as husband and wife.

The Corn Show, Farmers Institute and Dairy Show, the great and attractive combination is now in session at Malvern, December 10th, 11th and 12th, 1907.

Mr. J. A. Fletcher and family take up their residence here and Mr. Fletcher takes a position as manager of grocery department at Mulholiands, and Mrs. Wainwright has charge of the cloak and suit department.

At the home of Mrs. Nickerson, her daughter Esther is married to Mr. Wood Wearin of Roseville, Calif.

Mr. M. F. Beckwith dies to day, after three months suffering from an accidental gunshot wound, another good citizen and neighbor gone.

W. A. Beckett, the postal clerk on the Q sells his Peaceville home.

Mrs. George Short dies today, December 26th, at the home in Malvern. Legal documents and love letters are now dated 1908, a new tag on old father time.

Uncle Ben Martin, a country neighbor buys the home of A. Swanson and moves to Malvern. Fred Tubbs sells his dray line business to J. A. Foster.

A once familiar face in Milton, appears again upon the canvas after the trailing of the reels of forty eight years, Mr. James D. Cook, now of Chicago, one of the first of the grain buyers here, being the manager in building the Ladd elevator during the winter of 1869 and '70. The well groomed man at 70 years is the older grown personality of the younger Jim Cook in dusty overalls and jacket on duty at the elevator in 1870. His coming to Milton was in times of industrial business and Peace. His business to the town today, is in the interests of War instead, which is on at the writing of these records.

The Barrier barber shop burns to day, Mr. Buckingham owner of the little building.

Mrs. R. J. Madigan for a long time resident of Malvern died at her home here yesterday. Andrew Purcell, Squire Purcell for 35 consecutive years. as Justice of the Peace at our neighbor town of Hastings, surrenders his 90 year life lease at Shenandoah. In 1857 his cabin home was on our present fair grounds.

Miss Bessie Smith is with the working force at The Chicago Dry Goods Store.

Mrs. J. H. Getman one of our pioneers passes away at her Malvern home. S. Garner and Son are the new landlords at the City Hotel.

Rev. Utterback at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pointer, performs the ceremony, February 4th, that unites in marriage their daughter Miss Pearl and Mr. Earl Eichelberger.

At the W. A. Barkus home, February 19, Miss Bessie is married to Mr. Ed Jefferson.

Mrs. Wm. Norris's body is brought from Ft. Scott, Kansas, and laid beside her husband in the Malvern Cemetery.

Mr. W. S. Grosse buys the Sloneke home and the bus line and becomes a citizen of Malvern. Mr. Wm. Kneeland purchases the Gibson property for a home. Mr. F. L. Shaffer succeeds A. L. Purdy as assistant at Royce's.

The interesting and helpful revival meetings of evangelist Smiley and his singer Hanson close to night.

The election for free school books to the pupils carries.

Mr. Geo. Short buys the Mrs. Pease property and lot and home adjoining The Cottage Hotel has opened doors again under the management of Mr. J. R. Cully.

The young life of Frank Talbott goes out today at the hospital at Council Bluffs.

Warden Rimel takes first place in oratorical class in contest at Tabor. The Summers Seed House has business with the State, selling to the State College their seed oats.

Charles Knight is a new helper at the Boston Hardware Store.

The regular spring batch of officers for town election, Mr. D. E. Whitfield re-elected as Mayor, Frank Higgins on the Council, James J. Wilson Treasurer and James Miller, Assessor.

The spring sales. Dr. Thos. W. Gidley buys Dr. Humphrey's home and veterinary practice. Mrs. Skahill sells her residence to Mr. W. H. Miller, and Mr. Kneeland buys Mrs. F. M. Benton's home.

It is April fool day and the young people plan a gathering for fun and frolic in two courses at the homes of Lyle Wilkins and Miss Bessie Smith. Those thought worthy of the game that were present, Lawrence Talbott, Ed Califf, Arthur Dice, Eugene and Winford Porter, V. G. Williams, Lyle Wilkins, Harry Kneeland, Ed Benton and the Misses Harriet and Flora Benton, Lottie Deardorff, Bertha Bushnell, Bessie Smith and Ruth Thompson.

Little Tommy Cunningham is today laid away in our city of the dead.

Mr. D. G. Schenck is 87 years old and his boy friends E. R. Graves, Wm. Robinson, T. M. Aistrope and Geo. Mandigo meet with him and talk over the events of three quarters of a century.

At the J. T. Ward home, the daughter Adaline is married to Mr. Lester E. Barnum of Monmouth, Illinois.

Miss Anna Nellen is trimmer in the millinery department of The Cook Mercantile Company.

G. T. White sells his residence property to Mr. D. W. Harvey.

Arva Burrus buys the Landis home on Marion Avenue. Mr. Ed Thomas buys a home place of Mrs. R. J. Bently.

A business sale today, by G. T. White to Mr. Allen Smith and L. R. Comer, name of firm Smith & Comer.

Our teachers in the school for the coming year: Superintendent W. H. Manifold, Principal May Miller; Lillian Cunningham, Mamie Forman, Daisy Bartley, Mabel Potts, Carrie Wilson, Mrs. Emma Young, Bertha Bushnell, Emma Boylan and Rue Otis.

The grave digger himself, Jack Pierce dies at his out Peaceville way home. Some one else will have to dig the one for him. He was an early settler and an honest toiler.

Union Church service tonight, May 3, 1908, to welcome the new pastor of the Christian Church, Rev. J. E. Stebbins.

Evelyn Churchill is seven years old today and the home is filled with her little friends.

Mrs. L. Bentley, a well known and respected woman in church and home circles in Malvern for many years, dies at her later home at Tampa Florida.

The fire alarm is sounding out its alarm notes and the fire department and citizens are hurrying to the scene of the fire caused from a leaking gasoline stove in the Tunison Restaurant on 4th Street. The old frame building is now enveloped in tongues of flame and the fire is spreading to the storage building adjoining on the east and to the auto repair shop and implement building on the west. The fire boys are having trouble with the hose and intense heat. 20 ft. alley only is seperating the valuable property on First Avenue from the flames. The tension on nerve and muscle of looker on and worker is intense. Faithful watchers of the old bucket brigade are on duty at all points of danger from the flying embers. It is now under control, and the crowd is going to their homes for the balance of the night in rest and sleep, and settlement of their losses another day.

New blacksmith firm of F. J. Stebbins & Son.

Mr. Henry Boyer's new home is now about complete and ready for occupancy.

W. F. Wilkins and family locate in Malvern and he has a position with the Green Bay Lumber Company.

Dr. D. M. Kline sells out his practice at Carson and locates at Malvern, the home town of his boyhood days.

Mr. Will Swan and wife are here on a visit with Mrs. Swan's mother, Mrs. W. D. Evans under the old home roof for a few days.

Squire Van Doren ties the bonds of matrimony that unite Mr. Frank Berry and Miss Laura Rasmusen in wedded life.

Fourteen graduates from the high school: Louisa Stone, Hazel Rumsey, Ford Wearin, Hazel Thompson, Maude Johnson. Inez Bell, Harry Wilson, Velma Johnson, Leona Bell, Kenneth Cook, Mixie Cunningham, Roy Donner, Ruth Bingaman and Carleton Cook, start out on the journey of life.

Otis Martin helper at Cadwell and Salyers gives up his position and E. F. Bayer takes his place.

- G. T. White and family move to their new home at Delta, Colorado.
- Mr. S. B. Barnes re elected as manager of the telephone business.

College graduates and students home from their studies, Ruth Young from Iowa University, Edna Scott from Knoxville, Ill., Claude Kerney, Milton Yockey and Olga Otis from Simpson, Blanche Coffman from Parsons and Florence and Cora Durbin from Nebraska University.

Dr. I. W. Humphrey adds to his work as Veterinary Surgeon, a hardware business, bought of M. Cunningham.

Mrs. W. P. Wortman buys the former home of Mrs. Eliza J. Aistrope. Miss Hannah Angus purchases the millinery business of Mrs. Maurath.

Mrs. Mary A. Alexander is surprised on her 71st birthday at her daughter's home, Mrs. S. A. Tipton, by a post card shower of 106 cards of pest wishes and friendly greetings.

O. M. Harris opens up a Real Estate office.

Mr. Matheny, the agent of the Wabash dies, and the remains are taken to his old home at Savannah, Mo.

Our National holiday opens up today with the first session of the seasons Chautauqua program with exercises appropriate to the day. The closing hours of the day are saddened by the accident to Eddie Califf, who loses an eye while helping with the display of fireworks, to give pleasure to the waiting throng.

W. E. VanArsdall sells his barber business to young Will Donner.

Mr. Jos. Foxworthy, one of the main stays out in Peaceville suburbs, buys the home of Mrs. Leah Dice on Douglas Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Reynolds are testing town life to see how it will agree with them.

A party of our young people who charter the carry all and get away to the banks of the Nishna for a picnic spread, Olga Otis, May Churchill, Mary Evans, Liva Richards, Rue Otis, Pearl Harris, Claude Kerney, Milton Yockey, Abner Clark, Elbert Nickerson, Ralph Robbins and Shelby Watson.

Mr. J. D. Robbins buys the home of Mr. Henry Viner on Marion Avenue.

The 34th annual session of The Mills County Fair exhibits are on the grounds, and are one of the best.

To day an accident occurs at the Wabash crossing resulting in the death of Mr. Guy Gageby.

Roy Miller, a Malvern boy who has been railroading for some time is checked in as Wabash agent here.

Clyde Fletcher is a worker with his brother J. A. at Mulhollands grocery department.

Beulah Moses is 6 years old today and a good sized bunch of her young friends come to see her.

Two new men at the Burlington, S. P. Spencer and Guy Cadwell.

Charles Salyers buys the O. J. Davis home on Douglas Street.

Miss Coral Sanford puts the style on hats at Miss Jones's millinery Store.

Mr. Pointer gets away from the Wabash by moving his residence on to east Douglas Street.

Eddie Knight is helping at Royce's while Shaffer is for a while away at school. Miss Ruth Bingaman is waiting on customers at the P. O. wicket.

Charley Higgins wants another partner and Miss Clara Hammes and he agree to walk the ways of life together.

Miss Nellie Boyer is assistant at Mrs. Hiett's place of business.

Old time residents of Malvern return. Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Snyder. Mr. Snyder is helping at W. D. Wilson's drug store and Mrs. Snyder that she may give a daughter's care to her mother Mrs. W. D. Evans.

Our graduates and others for special courses are going to their work: Harry Kneeland to Boulder, Colo., Carleton and Kenneth Cook to Nebraska University, Maude Johnson, Olga Otis, Rheba Whalen, Liva Richards, June Fickel and Falph Wilson to Simpson College, Harry Wilson and John Summers to Ames, Perry Hendricks and Walter Scott to Culver, Indiana, Frances Lewis to Council Bluffs commercial school, Arthur Dice, Grover Rinehart and Mildred Priest to Drake University, Ruth Young to Iowa City, Grace Churchill to Wesleyan, University Place, Nebr., Winifred Seeger to Mt. Carroll, Ill., Merle, Blanche and Olive Coffman to Parsons College, Annie Davis to Brownell Hall, H. G. Parker to Evanston, Ill., Dr. D. M. Swain to University of Pennsylvania, Ivy Campbell to Boulder, Colo.

Last Friday, September 4th, death came to the poor helpless body of Mrs. John Higgins, who was stricken with paralysis at her home in Malvern, and has been for 6 long years a helpless invalid at St. Bernards Council Bluffs. Mr. Higgins, who himself has only lately passed away labored faithfully all these years, at his bench in Malvern, that the ministrating care of the hospital might be given to his stricken wife. From Saturday evening until Monday morning, with only two unavoidable exceptions, he was at her bedside during the six years. An example of true fidelity and loyalty.

The death toll is continued, Mr. James Jones, a country neighbor when Milton was platted, a leading farmer, and for some time a citizen of the town, a soldier of the Civil War answers to death's roll call today.

Mrs. Alva Donner comes to her mother's home, Mrs. Bently, for κ _isit and a change and death comes and closes her young life.

The two firms of Milt Van Doren and the Cook Mercantile Co. trade business for land.

The old soldier boys time comes for their annual eat and they gather at the Dice home for the occasion, and if they sleep as well as they ate, they will live a while yet.

T. W. Beckett of Sidney buys the Arva Burrus cottage south of the school building.

Union service at the M. E. Church to bid farewell to Rev. Bollinger as he goes to his new field at Odebolt.

The Catholic Church is building a residence for their pastor, Father Quinn.

Rev. W. A. Black is welcomed as successor to W. W. Bollinger.

The Malvern Electric Light Co. have enlarged their plant and power, and soon will have our college town of Tabor, hitched on to the light system.

Miss Ruth Kneeland and Miss Mae Churchill have opened up a kindergarten school in the basement of the Presbyterian Church, and they have a big bunch of little life to entertain and instruct.

F. D. Kilpatrick's fine new modern home is complete and they are taking possession of it.

Business interests are taking away Mr. O. J. Davis and family to a new home at Council Bluffs. We will greatly miss them from business, home, social and church circles in which they have taken an active part for many years.

Master Willie Aistrope has reached the age of 8 years, and his mother and young friends help him to make it a great day on the calendar.

Mr. H. G. Robbins and family from Indiana become residents of Malvern for business and a home.

Rev. Hill at the Villisca home performs the ceremony, that unites the interests of life of his daughter Ethel Hill and Dr. Thos. Gidley, a Maivern boy, born and bred.

Mrs. Almira Durbin departs this life at her home to day. The little village of Milton, later Malvern, was her first home place as wife and mother, and just out over the border, after honored years of home service, she returns and abides under the roof of her later and finer home until the summons came.

Mrs. Ernest C. Bragonier fills the vacancy in the school by the resignation of Miss Rue Otis.

Billy Kryselmier and Mrs. Jennie Wren agree to walk the ways of lift together.

Mr. W. J. Wilson the horseman, makes Malvern his home and place of business.

Clayton Roberts celebrates his 13th birthday. At this later writing with thousands of others he has donned the uniform as a soldier for his country.

One of our Malvern boys, Carl Poulson is in training for the work as agent of the Wabash at Strahan.

It is sad news to the many friends of Rev. D. C. Morris, to hear of his death today, December 6th, at his daughter's home at Wayne, Nebraska His home has been Malvern for several years as church pastor and citizen.

Little Willis Mulholland dies at the parents home.

Harold Case expert seed corn tester, is assistant at The Summers Seed House.

It is holiday time and the week has been a great home coming time as the absent ones return for a visit at the home and the holiday gatherings.

Mr. Henry Boyer sells out his business at Strahan that he may be more wih his family in his Malvern home.

Eight years of the 20th century have passed and we come to the new year 1909.

Dr. M. E. Corbin sells his residence and practice to Drs. Elmer and Ray Estes.

The Real Estate firm of Harris and Tyler trade Mr. N. G. Patterson's harness business to Mr. Hutton for land, and then Mr. Frank Degenhart.

an old acquaintance buys the business and starts again as a business citizen.

A quiet wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, January 12, their daughter Grace to Henry A. Young.

Benjamin C. Martin—Uncle Benny—surrenders his 80 year lease of life for one on that "beautiful isle of somewhere."

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Smith have leased the City Hotel.

Mr. T. M. Aistrope and daughter Nellie move into their lovely new home, on the street of fine homes, Marion Avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Viner into theirs just completed on the same street.

Mrs. J. D. Reynolds buys the Lee Baldwin place on Prospect Avenue.

T. F. Emerson succeeds W. G. Gregory at the Green Bay Lumber Co.

Death comes sudden to an old resident, Henry Slonaker, while at his work, and today Mrs. Elizabeth Tyler's life passes out into the great beyond.

John Uttvitts, a Malvern boy, after nine years of world travel, comes again to the old place to see his mother.

Death comes to the weary body of Mrs. J. F. Dull, for thirty three years a home keeper here.

Wm. Stamper of Clearfield, Iowa, is now landlord of the Cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Barnes and family, break the ties of long time friendship that bind them to Malvern as they say good bye and go to a new home in California.

John Evans Jr. better known to us as Jack Evans, passes away at his home in Illinois, and his body is brought to Emerson for burial. His business interests in connection with Malvern have been such that we count him as citizen.

Mr. Geo. Short and Mrs. Gena Dolan are married today at their own home where they expect to reside.

Mrs. C. J. Hyde buys a home, formerly Mrs. D. M. Whitfield's residence.

The change from active life to death comes quickly to Mrs. Ella Roberts at her mother's home, Mrs. Viner, and to Grandma Moses, in the quiet of her home in south town.

Our school boy Warden Rimel wins in the State declamatory contest at Osceola.

Mr. Geo. Berry and Miss Bertha Dawson go to Council Bluffs and the veteran Henry De Long signs their marriage bonds.

Mr. B. F. Bellwood buys the John Dull property on 2nd Avenue.

John Greeson, an old resident of the town, and who has been on life's trail for 81 years closes the journey today.

It is spring time and fresh eggs are 19 cents a dozen.

Our citizen C. E. Califf, with his family are about to move to Tripp, South Dakota, for a wider range for his activities.

A comrade and soldier of the civil war, Salathiel Timmons, passes over the dead line today, May 2, 1909.

Samuel Mudd, a Malvern young man is killed by the accidental discharge of a gun while at the home of B. L. Garrow at Serena, Ill. Burial in the Malvern cemetery.

A Malvern student and school graduate, Ethel Cunningham, graduates from the Boston school of Oratory and expression.

Mr. Sutton, section foreman of the Q buys the former home of Mrs. Winnie Moore.

It is decoration day, and loving hands are putting flowers on the resting places of the dead.

Death calls J. Degenhart, a business man of Malvern most of the time for twenty four years.

We celebrate our national holiday with the opening of the Chautauqua session on Saturday, July 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Foxworthy quietly observe their 65th wedding anniversary at their Malvern home. When we see the courts working overtime to release the bonds of marriage, it is encouraging to note the lengthy span of this many years and often of the Golden and Silver ones.

As we make record of this event we think of two other lives who have so quietly come with us into our daily life, as neighbors and citizens, that no record has been made and we will now weave it in. The coming of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Byers from the farm home where they were before the railroad brought the town and the people of Malvern. At this writing they are yet with us and like the ones above have lengthened the span of their married life beyond the golden wedding day by many years.

We cross the border a little way to make record of the death of Mr. Henry Donner on June 29th, at his home. The Donner name has been on the list of Malvern business men for many years.

The little tots who have grown to manhood and woman hood here, are now taking upon themselves the responsibilities of home makers in other places. Miss Etta Retelsdorf in far away Calgary, Canada, is married to Mr. J. Malcolm Curl, and Miss Ada Kronsbein to Mr. Lewis Stockho, a St. Louis citizen.

Mr. J. A. Foster trades his livery barn for land.

The Mulholland home is filled with frolicing young friends when Katherine Mulholland comes to her 10th birthday.

Throngs of people are in attendance this week, August, 1909, at the annual exhibits of the County Fair on the Fair grounds, only a stone's throw from where stood the old elm tree, beneath whose branches was

sheltered the canvas covered emigrant wagon that stopped for the night of August 7th, 1869, whose occupants were seeking an Iowa home.

After the passing of forty years we will again call the roll of those who as proprietors and employees, now guide the business interests of the town. A few of the early workers who yet have the harness on and some of the sons and daughters of the early pioneers with later arrivals are now at the helm and making history for future records.

General Store Merchants: F. E. Mulholland of The Mulholland Co., H. T. Beattie of the Chicago Dry Goods Co.

Grocers: H. A. Deardorff, Higgins Bros.

Hardware: Harry Landis, G. C. Boston, I. J. Humphrey.

Clothing: Wm. Kneeland, Harry and Paul Kneeland as assistants.

Farm Machinery: Wortz & Bushnell, Clark Bros., and Ash & Long.

Lumber Yards: Quinn Lumber Co., J. W. McNulty, Manager; Green Bay Lumber Co., Mr. Emerson manager.

Banks: First National Bank, W. L. Summers, President; Jas. J. Wilson, Cashier; V. G. Williams, Assistant. Malvern National Bank, C. B. Christy, President; Fred Durbin, Cashier; Lottie Deardorff, Assistant. Bank of Malvern, I. F. Hendricks, President; Will Guyer, Cashier.

Blacksmiths: Alfred Hall and Brothers, Reed Graves, Swanson & Foster, F. J. Stebbins & Son.

Restaurants and Lunch rooms: Arva Burrus, Newt. Jacobs, W. W. Tunison, Wm. Bingaman, F. V. Williams, J. S. Sloan.

Malvern Light and Power Company, L. W. Boehner, President; Harold Boehner, Secretary; Joe Deardorff and Forrest Deardorff, engineers; Robt. Elliott, electrician.

Malvern Cold Storage Company, L. W. Boehner, President; Fred Boehner, Manager.

Elevators and Grain buyers: E. L. Donner, G. W. Wyant, P. Kilmartin Furniture: Smith & Comer.

Drug Stores: C. S. Royce, W. D. Wilson.

Jewelers: Walter L. Smith, C. E. Porter.

Tailor, J. H. Retelsdorf

Pool and Billiard Halls: John Perdue, J. L. Buckingham.

Millinery: Mrs. M. L. Hiett, Miss A. S. Jones; Miss Hannah Angus.

M. Hammes Shoe Store and Fred Hall repairer.

J. and Frank Degenhart, Harness Shop.

Mrs. Hattie Boston, Fancy Goods and China Ware decorator.

The Malvern Leader, W. P. Wortman, publisher; X. A. Imel, foreman; S. L. Hunter, C. E. Huffaker, Mabel Abbott, compositors; Hazel Thompson, office girl.

Real Estate Dealers: Cadwell & Salyers, C. E. Eacrett, Harris & Tyler. Hotels: Cottage, J. R. Cully; Central Hotel, Geo. Smith.

Painters: Harry Hoover, Geo. E. Pace, Robt. Vandevert, Ob Raines, Everett Masters, Cecil Graves sign painter.

Barbers: G. A. Piatt, W. R. Thomas, Eli Springer, R. L. Rachwitz.

Summer Seed House, John Summers, Proprietor.

Auctioneers: J. L. Talbott, Lawrence Talbott.

J. W. Pointer, Photographer.

Meat Markets: Geo. Rockafellow, Ike Raines.

Livery Stable keepers and horse dealers: C. F. Maynes, Lem Bellwood. Sam Norton, J. H. Nellen, John Dunn, Frank Elder.

Draymen: Karl Hertz, W. S. Gross, Harvey Miller.

Carpenters: D. R. Martin, James Jones, W. P. McCullough, J. W. Bartley, Robt. Hammond, W. L. Leonard, Geo. Nahley, T. C. Lake, W. F. Donner, Eli Vickery.

Plasterers and cement workers: J. H. Smith, M. E. Bell, Geo. Short. Frank Petty, Dave McDonald.

Movers and cement block manufacturers: Frank and Charles Churchill Zopher Perkins, Assistant. Fred Stone, Brick and tile manufacturer.

Auto Garage, J. D. Robbins and Roy Robbins, H. G. Robbins, Chas Salyers, Machinists.

Doctors: S. A. Campbell, J. R. Scott, I. U. Parsons, W. A. Rush, D. M. Kline.

Dentists: J. O. Laird, W. M. Hiett.

Veterinary Surgeons: Thos. W. Gidley, I. J. Humphrey.

Lawyers: A. E. Cook, D. E. Whitfield, G. C. Rinehart.

Telephone office force: S. B. Barnes, Manager; Mrs. W. L. Leonard, Hazel Whitmer, Rena Robbins, Fannie Clark.

Railroad agents and office force: W. S. Bell, R. L. Hale, S. P. Spencer, Guy Cadwell of the Q. Roy Miller, Agent Wabash. Section Foreman Q, Ben Sutton, Section Foreman Wabash Joe Poulson.

Stock Buyers: T. J. Moses, C. F. Maynes.

School instructors: W. H. Manifold, May Miller, Lillian Cunningham, Mamie Forman, Daisy Bartley, Mabel Potts, Carrie Wilson, Mrs. Emma Young, Bertha Bushnell, Rue Otis, Emma Boylan, W. H. Miller, Janitor.

Post office: Channing C. Baird, Post Master; Harry Baird, Assistant; Ruth Bingaman, Clerk. R. F. D. Carriers; J. C. Maguire, Bert Crumb, W. R. Emerick. J. R. McClymond, Railway Postal Clerk.

Church Pastors: Rev. J. E. Wilkins, Baptist Church; Rev. R. Bruce West, Presbyterian Church; Rev. Mr. Black, Methodist Church; Rev. J. E. Stebbins, Christian Church; Rev. Father W. J. Quinn, Catholic church.

Department managers, Clerks, book keepers, assistants and general helpers: Willard Ruth, J. A. Fletcher, Mrs. Nichols, Mrs. Eva Wainwright,

Jess Bell, Tacie Poulson, Stella Poulson, Clyde VanHorn, S. A. Tipton, N. D. Smith, Guy Harold, Earl Nickerson, O. H. Snyder, Wiley Dunn, Baton Tennant, Harry Wilson, Allen Anderson, Ernest Anderson, Clyde Fletcher, F. L. Shaffer, H. E. Boyer, Nellie Boyer, W. F. Wilkins.

City Directory: Mayor, D. E. Whitfield; Councilmen, Frank Higgins, Frank Churchill, F. E. Mulhollund, Andrew Swanson and E. W. Bushnell; Treasurer, Jas. J. Wilson; Assessor, James Miller; W. H. Guyer, Recorder.

With these notes we close the records of forty years of the narrative of events of what folks were doing yesterday. It is a pleasure to the writer to day to sit at the window and look out at the moving picture of life upon the street and we have also enjoyed these pictures of review, as memory has recalled them to mind, in the coming and going of the preachers, teachers, doctors, lawyers, tradesmen, mechanics, home keepers and helpers, that have had a part in the program, and with whom we have been associated these forty years of history traveling.

ERRATA

Page 5, the union meeting to organize Sunday School is reported to have been held in the hall over The Chronicle office. It was held instead over the McCrary store.

Page 10, first line should read "Abbott, Knisely & Co."

The death of C. A. Donner, reported on Page 37, should have date of November 3, 1889.

Page 41, C. D. Paddock should read C. H. Paddock.

Page 46, Joseph Jacqua is "Joseph Jacquat."

Page 50, G. K. Vauhn is "G. K. Vaughn."

Page 51, Onist Larison is "Quist Larison."

Page 85, repetition of names "Gidley, Evans and Perdue."

There are a few names misspelled on the various pages, which cannot now be corrected.

Also, a few names are repeated, as on Page 90 "Olive Hyde Hyde" and on Page 25 "Frank Hobbs, Hobbs new candy store." The last item should read "Frank Hobbs, new Candy stores," etc.

On pages 50, 76, the words "Continued next week" appear, having been overlooked when using the material as it came from the news columns.













